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High School Scholars In Musical Festival

Success of Big Affair in Covina Last Friday Night Means That it Will be Annual Event—Compton School Deserves High Honors

Compton high school made probably the best showing among all the schools at the musical festival held last Friday evening in the Covina Union high school. The festival was arranged by Prof. Richard W. Groom of the Covina schools, who is also musical director in the Citrus and Bonita high schools. Bands, orchestras and glee clubs from the high schools of South Pasadena, Monrovia, Compton, Citrus Union and Covina competed in a non-prize-winning contest.

The Compton school furnished a girls' glee club, under the direction of Bernice Beal. These numbers were the most tuneful on the program, especially their last number, "Little Orphant Annie." Incidentally it shed light on the democracy of the American school system, as there were three negro girls in the club, whose voices could be distinctly determined as very rich and musical. The Compton band, under the direction of Thomas Toolan, also did very creditable work.

The girls' glee club of Monrovia sang "Carmena" very pleasantly. The most ambitious number seemed to be that of the South Pasadena high school, which put a mixed chorus of boys and girls, singing songs from "The Crusaders." The volume was good, and the sopranos were above the ordinary found in schools, but the boys, as is generally the case, found too much for their powers of vocalization. It is almost an impossibility to get good vocal music from a boy between the ages of 13 and 17. Another criticism would be that the music was too ambitious.

Prof. Groom's Covina glee club sang "Mid the Hush of the Corn," with Miss Leta Nash as soloist. This was a very creditable number. The most interesting number from a local standpoint was the one played by the Girls' Symphony Orchestra, composed of girls from the Covina, Azusa, Glendora and Bonita schools, under the direction of Prof. Groom. This aggregation gave a good rendition of the big overture to "Raymond."

The boys' quartet and the orchestra from Citrus Union gave some very pleasing numbers

The Compton participants were late in arriving as their truck broke down, but they made up the tardiness in the quality of their work after they arrived. The affair was a big success, and will undoubtedly become an annual institution.

"SHORE ACRES" AWAKENS MEMORIES OF OLD

A motion picture film of James A. Herne's "Shore Acres" was shown at the Isis theater Thursday night, with a large audience of people, plentifully sprinkled with State o' Maine folks and New Englanders in general.

In the old days "Shore Acres" used to run for 100 nights in the biggest theaters in New York, Philadelphia and Chicago—a simple story of rural life on the edge of the Atlantic, the home and the farm dividing honors with the seafaring life. Its charm lay in that indefinable pathos and humor which runs like a silver thread through all rural New England life.

While the motion picture is able to depict real scenes along the Maine coast, such scenes as never have, nor never could have been put upon the stage, it must be said that the film play lacks the dialogue that gave the play its New England savor. After all, there has never been a great deal of intense drama to those plays such as "The Old Homestead," "The County Fair," "Way Down East," and "Shore Acres." The charm has lain in a fidelity to dialect. A film play is powerless to supply this charm.

But the scenes in the pictures brought smiles and suspicions of tears from those who recognized the characteristics and mannerisms of the people of "mine own country."

RAINFALL FOR THE WEEK

Date	Max.T.	Min.T.	Hum.	Rainfall
Mar. 29	68	36	94	.85
Mar. 30	.....59.9	..	74	.00
Mar. 31	64	44	74	.00
Apr. 1	.....72.9	46	64	.00
Apr. 2	.....76.8	43	85	.00

Rainfall for week ..... .85

Total rainfall for season ...20.95

MYRTHA SCOTT, Observer.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR PICNIC AT LONG BEACH SATURDAY

All members of the Knights Templar are invited to attend the third annual field day and picnic at Long Beach next Saturday, April 10, bringing with them their wives, families and sweethearts. The committee states that nothing will be said if you bring someone else's sweetheart.

The forerunning bulletin reads that great quantities of coffee will be provided, but it will be necessary to bring your own lunch. Emphasis is placed on putting in an extra sandwich in the lunch, probably for the committee.

There will be competitive drills, a concert by the Long Beach Municipal band, and a long list of sports, such as married ladies' race, single ladies' race, girls' race, fat man's race, tub race for grand prize, etc. The management has procured a number of wall-eyed Texas broncos from the rodeo, and have advertised them in the bulletin as nice saddle horses. The scheme is to choose two members from each commandery and pull off a horse race on the beach. There are innumerable other sports on the program. The commanderies in the parade are: Los Angeles, Pasadena, Santa Ana, Pomona, Long Beach, Alhambra, Covina, Whittier and Glendale.

Scholars In Debate On War Question

Next Saturday our baseball team will meet Alhambra, at Covina, in the first league game of the season. The boys have been playing a fine game, and stand a good chance of winning the pennant. So far they have played three games with Bonita, Citrus and Monrovia, and they have never scored less than a dozen runs in one game. The [illegible] shape, so that they will be in fine form for the opening game.

Wednesday afternoon the juniors defeated the seniors in the annual junior-senior debate. The question was, Resolved, That Germany was justified in opposing the Russian advance upon Austria. Wilbur Nye and Margery Clarke of the junior class upheld the affirmative, and Gilbert Nigg and Belle Fesler of the seniors upheld the negative. First place was awarded to Wilbur Nye. The debate was an excellent one, and while the seniors lost, they put up a good fight, and have nothing to be ashamed of.

The Angel and Venice rooters are sure out for blood since the coast league opened. Every morning and noon there is a great uproar in some part of the building, and an investigation will show Lee Smith and Seth Colver vainly attempting to tell why Venice lost the ball game.

Next week we shall have all the time we want for fishing, swimming, hoeing weeds, and other outdoor sports, not to mention a chance of recuperation from yesterday's exams. The whole week is to be devoted entirely and absolutely to our own Easter vacation. Most of us, including the faculty, are glad, but strange to say there are some of us who are not (?)

After vacation we have several events to look forward to with pleasure. The baseball season, for we are going to cop the pennant in that too this year, the Peace Contest, and the tri-scholastic declamation contest, in either of which the victory will mean the permanent possession of a fine cup, the freshman-sophomore debate, and finally commencement week.

STEAL PHILLEO'S MACHINE FOR LONG JOY RIDE

Robert Philleo, assistant cashier of the Covina First National bank, dropped in for a few minutes at a dance in the Ebell club house in Pomona last Friday night and when he came out his five-passenger Ford had rambled right along with someone else at the wheel.

The machine was not recovered for several days, when the police of Los Angeles reported finding it over on the east side of the city.

The Ford had been run quite a distance. The tires were badly cut as if they had been driven over a rough road, but Philleo says there was more gasoline and oil in the machine than when he lost it.

Mrs. C. A. Plant and little granddaughter, Carolyn Jennings, will spend the Easter vacation of about ten days at the San Diego exposition.

Wilson Appoints New Postmaster at Covina

Christian Church Minister Assumed Office April 1, Succeeding J. L. Matthews, Who Served Here for 12 Years—Many Candidates Applied

Rev. Daniel F. Stafford, for some time pastor of the First Christian church of Covina, who resigned that position about a year ago, has been appointed by the United States postal department to the position of postmaster at Covina, succeeding J. L. Matthews, who has held this position for nearly 12 years.

Mr. Stafford took over his new duties on Thursday, April 1. Covina is one of the last postoffices to change postmasters under the Wilson administration. This was largely due to the number of Democratic candidates

REV D. F. STAFFORD
Choice of the Wilson administration for postmaster at Covina.

[illegible] confusion and indecision of the heads of the department, Mr. Stafford is looked upon as a compromise candidate with whom the greater portion of the Democratic leaders are satisfied.

The new postmaster is a graduate of Kentucky state university, and has been an active minister in the Christian church all his life. He was pastor of the First Christian church of Lexington, Ky., for thirteen years. He moved west and was for four years the pastor of the Christian church at Watsonville. Since coming to Covina three and one-half years ago, he has been the pastor of the local Christian church until less than a year ago, and he has purchased an orange grove and a home on East Center street. His son, Dailey S. Stafford, is justice of the peace of Covina township and city clerk of Covina city.

"I have tried to take an intelligent interest in the affairs of the city and valley since coming here," said Mr. Stafford yesterday. "I have realized as well as everyone else who comes here that this valley is one of the most favored on the Pacific Coast. It is a veritable paradise. My hope is to make my home here always. I have taken an active interest in the orange industry and in the work of advancing the interests of the town. I shall continue to do the best I can, and will hope for the cooperation of everyone in the community."

WHOLE COUNTY MAY JOIN GREAT MAY FESTIVAL

Every town in the county is expected to participate in the magnificent fiesta beginning May 1 that will inaugurate the 1915 General Committee entertainment series. With a beautiful floral pageant in the morning, the opening of the rodeo at the stadium in the afternoon and the brilliantly beautiful electrical parade in the evening, May day of expositions year promises to be long remembered in the Southland.

The fiesta committee is headed by Motley H. Flint, and includes Mrs. A. J. Walters, Mrs. D. O. McCan, Walter Desmond, Frank Wiggins, Randolph H. Miner, A. J. Bertonneau, Freeman G. Teed, J. L. Matthews and J. D. Taggert.

The first pageant will tell the story of the golden west. All sorts of historic paraphernalia will be included in the display. The county towns will aid with floats in this as well as in the great floral parade that will be held the following Monday. Civic organizations, fraternal bodies, societies, lodges and bands from every section of the county are invited to lend their aid in making the nine days of fiesta and rodeo the greatest occasion the Southland has ever known.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT VICTIM IS RECOVERING

What is being considered by surgeons as a remarkable rally on the part of a patient suffering from compound fracture of the skull is reported by Dr. R. Manning Clarke of Covina, who in company with Drs. Warner of Ontario and Abbott of Uplands performed the operation of trephining on the 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Gillon, the boy who was injured when an automobile turned over on the boulevard in Charter Oak a week ago last Saturday.

Dr. Clarke says that the boy remained unconscious for ten days, and then regained consciousness and is seeming to be improving. It was one of the worst fractures the surgeons have dealt with for some time, and it was said at the time of the operation that the boy would not recover. He is still in a very precarious condition, but hopes are held out for his recovery.

Retiring Postmaster Honored by Friends

Assistants in Office Who Worked Under His Guidance for Period of 12 Years Show Appreciation—Statement by Mr. Matthews

As a token of their appreciation of pleasant relations between postmaster and employes, a dozen post office assistants gathered at the home of J. L. Matthews on Badillo street Thursday night, and presented him with a splendid pair of gold cuff links, bearing the Masonic emblems.

The affair was brought about because of the retirement of Mr. Matthews from his position of postmaster at Covina, which he has held for 11 years and 7 months, having received two appointments. Mr. Matthews [illegible] appointee of the Wilson administration.

During the terms of Mr. Matthews, the assistants have been as follows: Mrs. H. M. Faulder (now Covina librarian), Mrs. George Sturdivant, now of Uplands; Mrs. Grace Miller, now of Planada; Mrs. Edward Slewert, now of Los Angeles; Miss Amelia McVey, now assistant postmistress at Venice; Miss Alice Wynne, now dispatching postal clerk at Petaluma; Leslie Shipway, now attending school at Stanford university; Miss Ruby Dormer, Mrs. Martha Hibsch, Miss Nellie Dinwiddie and C. E. Blackman, the last four being the staff at the present time.

The presentation speech was made by Miss Dinwiddie in well-chosen and very appropriate language. The guests were entertained in an informal manner by Mrs. J. L. Matthews, music and refreshments being enjoyed.

Those living within easy reaching distance of Covina were present, while others sent letters. Mrs. Sturdivant, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Slewert were the three who were "married out of the office." The gathering spent a good deal of time telling stories on one another out of the reminiscences of the office.

Mr. Matthews, who is editor of the Argus, wishes to convey to the people of Covina city and Covina valley his heartfelt thanks for the manner in which he has been so generously supported during the last twelve years. The amount of friction between the post office and the people has been practically negligible, making the position one to look back upon with decided pleasure. There have been times when disagreeable tasks confronted the postmaster which had to be done, but in the main the office ran smoothly. He wishes to say to the people that he will continue to work for the best interests of the valley wherever and whenever he may be of service, as he has always endeavored to do in the past. There is much work that can be done toward the unbuilding of this incomparable valley, and Mr. Matthews will be one of the foremost to assist in performing this work.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Paul Jennison, formerly with the Thomas and Damrosch orchestras, and solo cellist of the Mendelssohn quintette of Boston, is now teaching cello, violin and ensemble playing at his studio, 136 E. Puente street.

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"THE REMEDY IS TO SELL EVERY CAR LOAD HERE IN LOS ANGELES"--MacREA

Of more than usual interest was the meeting of the Covina Valley Farmers' Club at the home of its vice-president, Captain N. D. Mussey, at Lemonita ranch last Saturday. The meeting was attended by a crowd of ranchers and citizens that filled the large house and overflowed onto the porches and into the yard.

There were addresses made by Horticultural Commissioner William Wood, who spoke in a general manner on the question of citrus pests, and also a talk by Prof. R. S. Vaile of Riverside, dealing with cultural subjects.

The musical program, under the direction of Mrs. Ben F. Thorpe, consisted of piano solos by Jack Biehl of Los Angeles, reading by Miss Francis Conkling of Kansas City, piano solos by Miss Mildred Berry and vocal solos by Miss Irene Wadey. The refreshments were served by Mrs. Mussey, assisted by a committee of ladies under the direction of Mrs. C. H. Thorpe.

One of the most interesting addresses was that of the one delivered by Kenneth MacRae, a large grower of Rialto, who has been an independent shipper of fruit for many years. Excerpts from his address are as follows:

I have been growing oranges at Rialto for the past fifteen years. I have been a constant attendant at our growers' conventions and meetings. Have listened with pleasure and profit to the various subjects discussed. I regret, however, to say that the marketing—the net—the profit and loss is seldom discussed. It seems to me that what a man receives for his crop is the most important subject on the calendar. We should discuss it from every angle, and improve it, if possible.

I think that you will agree with me that our system of marketing is an old-fashioned, leaky has-been. Our present system is consignment, shipping our fruit East unsold, without deposit and often without even destination. Rightly dubbed, "The tramp-car system."

It cost $1.50 to ship and sell a box of oranges at the Eastern auctions. Every box that sells for $1.50 and less means a direct loss to the grower. For my own satisfaction and information I had every sale that sold for $1.50 and less at Eastern auction, from June 1st, 1914, to the last of September, tabulated on an adding machine. The machine turned out a strip of paper 14 feet 8 inches long, or a total of 1055 red-ink sales for the above nine months. Add to this as many more for interior sales and you have 2000 red-ink sales of 200 boxes each, gives us some 400,000 boxes that paid packers, railroads, commissions, salaries, etc., some $600,000 and left the grower $100,000 in debt for furnishing it. I forgot to mention that the average price brought by the 1055 auction sales was $1.29; this left us growers 21 cents in debt for every box so sold. Efficiency! Call that efficiency? Best name it folly.

Mr. J. J. Hill, the railway magnate, states that 98 per cent of the products of the earth are sold for cash or on a cash basis. 98 per cent of every successful business on earth discarded this leaky method. It would seem that we grow fruit to fatten every packer and salaried man connected with the industry. Stand investment and every cost and care in its production and then stand all the loss. We are certainly the goat.

Now, gentlemen, let us try to figure how that 1055 red-ink sales affect the market. It is not the direct loss as much as the indirect. There are some 180 sales days at Eastern auctions during the nine months mentioned. Figure a little and you will find that this means about six red-ink sales for every day from January to September. Mr. C. C. Chapman of Fullerton—and there is no higher or better authority—states, "that a few cars of red-ink arriving at Eastern auction points blankets the price of all good fruit 25 to 50 cents per box." Who is to blame, you say. Mr. Chapman states facts ;also raises the query, "Who is to blame?" There is no better orange market than New York, Boston and Philadelphia. New York and Boston give us our quotations, still we hammer them almost daily with a stream of red-ink that kills prices, kills the good fruit, kills the industry.

If after we pay the $1.50 per box we could then dump this fruit that sells for red-ink in the Colorado river or the Boston harbor, we would be millions of dollars in pocket. There were full 35,000 cars shipped during the above nine months. Twenty-five cents per box means $100 per car. Figure away yourself. If this consignment method of marketing does not require some improvement, then I am not a Scotchman. (Applause.)

Now, ladies and gentlemen, strange that such an intelligent class as the orange grower should follow this disastrous shipping method year after year. Four years ago we had 992 sales of red-ink at Eastern auctions; seven or eight years ago we had over 1000. Shipping to my own account, when I could not sell for cash at this end, taught me the facts I am trying to impress on you.

Let us return to Mr. Chapman's query, "Who is to blame?" Nationally, the party in power is responsible for its policies. So we must say that the Exchange with its 60 per cent is responsible for our present consignment system. What a change since its organization. Charter members of the Exchange state that it was started as a rebuke to consignment ;that they sold f.o.b. California for years; that prices were high and every condition satisfactory. The change from f.o.b. here to consignment was for the purpose of collecting rebates. We are assured that there are no more rebates; then why continue it. Fully 90 per cent of the largest independent packers are seemingly favorable to selling for cash California points, as they are patrons and many of them stockholders in one or other of our Los Angeles home auctions. Get in line, Exchange members; help us; help yourself and the whole industry. You must and should face the question, "Which method is the better?" Your f.o.b. plan of marketing was so successful, that the first red-ink sale was posted in the Riverside post office and was considered a curiosity.

The remedy, to my mind, is to sell every car right here in Los Angeles at public auction, for cash, where open competition will set the pace and do the bidding. There is not one phase of the citrus industry that this sensible business method would not better and quicken. It would absolutely and automatically eliminate red-ink sales and congested markets, for the simple reason that the growers would cease picking when the market sagged. It would be: pick your fruit Monday and get your money Saturday. Think of the educational benefit to our growers in visiting an auction room full of sample boxes from all sections. They could examine and compare packing, quality of fruit, listen to remarks of shrewd buyers who afterwards paid their money for it, at varying prices. This would put us wise to the merits or demerits of our own.

My plan of selling the entire crop for cash may or may not be the proper solution, but it seems to me that the time is ripe for some betterment. There is no such word as "can't" in our language. Mr. Grower, spend a day in your packing house; tabulate a month's sales; then go home and tell your wife about it. She has good sense, at any rate.

THOSE WHO CAN'T DO IT ENGAGE IN TEACHING HOW

A writer in the Saturday Evening Post tells all about how to write a short story, and then furnishes a sample which struck us as the poorest short story in that paper in many moons. Still, the fact that it landed at all may prove that there is something to the plans and specifications that preceded it.—Pomona Review.

The facts are that the successful story-writer has a few or no rules by which he works. He instinctively knows the rules that govern success, and could not expound them under penalty of death. Just as the best writers of pure English are the poorest grammarians, is it true that the most absorbing stories are written by people who look with impatience on a treatise on fiction writing. There are no good rules for short-story writing. Imitation of successful writers does not bring success; copy-book slavishness is surely a road to failure. The one great essential in literature is a knowledge of life, either acquired painfully through years, or through that God-given and indefinable method which seems to have been alloted to a few. When you read an article on how to write a short story, be sure that the author is unsuccessful himself or he would not spend his time at such futile work. It is the same with critics of the theater, and when you analyze criticism in any line of endeavor you will find that critics are made up of the army of the mediocrity.

And while we are discussing this subject it is not out of place to remark that Morgan Robertson, one of the most entertaining short-story writers America has produced in two decades, died a few days ago in a shabby hotel, practically penniless, an old man and alone. His stories of the sea are near-classics. He wrote prolifically for the best fiction magazines. He was not a spender, but a quiet and careful liver, poor all his life. Such a sorry ending ought to be sufficient reason for indicting a number of magazine publishers for grand larceny.

Timely Advice To Mothers

FOR CHILDREN'S LUNCH

All healthy children require something to eat now and then between meals. The careful mother, solicitous for her little one's health, shrinks from giving them too much cake, cookies, and similar dainties which most children appear to like best. The most satisfactory substitute—one that is thoroughly wholesome and nourishing—is good home-made bread thickly spread with Karo Syrup. Nothing can take the place of Karo for this purpose. It is clear and sweet as honey, without the cloying quality which makes honey distasteful to some, and unwholesome if eaten freely. You can give the little tots Karo spread thick on bread without the slightest hesitation. They will not only relish it keenly, but will actually thrive upon it.

You can also use it as an accompaniment for waffles and griddle cakes, as well as in the preparation of puddings and gingerbread, while the candies made from it are pure and delicious.

If you have not yet tried Karo Syrup, order some from your grocer today and make the children happy—just as thousands of other mothers are doing all over the country. Insist, however, upon Karo—it costs no more than ordinary syrups, and is superior in every way.

OWL WON REPUTATION IN SIMILAR MANNER

Vice-president Marshall evidently does not cherish admiration for the thing commonly called dignity. He gives it many a rap in his homely talks.

True dignity is, of course, admirable in its place. But we share to the full Mr. Marshall's contempt for the counterfeit article, which is usually an assumption of solemn dullness.

Lots of persons get a reputation for wisdom by keeping their mouths closed and looking wise. The owl made a great name for himself in that way. And yet when it comes down to brass tacks, the goose in his native wild state is as much smarter than the owl as Tom Marshall is smarter than many a solemn dunce in public life.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO FORM A PROTECTION DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, did, at a meeting of said Board on the 19th day of March, 1915, adopt a resolution declaring the intention of said Board to form a protection district, to be known as Irwindale-Dalton Protection District, with boundaries as hereinafter set forth, for the purpose of protecting property within said district from damage by flood waters from the Big and Little Dalton Washes in said proposed district, in accordance with the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled, "An Act to provide for the formation of protection districts in the various counties of this state, for the improvement and rectification of the channels of innavigable streams and water courses, for the prevention of the overflow thereof, by widening, deepening and straightening and otherwise improving the same, and to authorize the Boards of Supervisors to levy and collect assessments from the property benefited to pay the expenses of the same," approved March 27th, 1895, and acts amendatory thereto.

The boundaries of the proposed protection district herein referred to are described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the quarter section line running east and west through section 9, township 1 south, range 10 west, with the center line of the Puente and Azusa Bridge Road as per map recorded in book 3842, pages 10 and 11 of Deeds, records of Los Angeles County; thence from said point of beginning south along the center line of said Puente and Azusa Bridge Road to the center line of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company's right of way (Covina Branch); thence east along the center line of said right of way to the west line of section 10, township 1 south, range 10 west; thence north along the west line of said section 10 to the prolongation west of the south line of the 9.64 acres of land assessed to Warner L. Kellar in 1911; thence east along said prolongation and south line of said 9.64 acres of land, and east along the south line of the 16.96 acres of land assessed to Wm. T. Keller in 1911 and the prolongation easterly to the east line of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 10, township 1 south, range 10 west; thence north along said east line to the center line of the Azusa Canon Road (or Cypress Avenue); thence east along the center line of the Azusa Canon Road aforesaid to the north and south quarter section line through said section 10; thence north along said quarter section line to the center of said section 10; thence east along quarter section line to the east line of said section 10; thence north along the east line of said section 10 to the prolongation east of the north line of the 18.80 acres of land assessed to Frank W. Tucker in 1910; thence west along said prolongation and north line of the 18.80 acres aforesaid and south along the west line of said 18.80 acres to a line that is parallel to and 330 feet northerly measured at right angles from the south line of the 19.70 acres of land assessed to William W. Heth in 1911; thence west along said parallel line to the west line of said 19.70 acres; thence south along the west line of said 19.70 acres to the east and west quarter-quarter section line through the north half of said section 10; thence west on quarter-quarter section lines to the west line of said section 10; thence in a direct line to the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 9, township 1 south, range 10 west; thence west along quarter section lines to the point of beginning.

The character of the work or improvement and the place where said proposed work or improvement is to be located, are as follows:

The straightening, enlarging and otherwise improving of the channels of the Big Dalton Wash and the Little Dalton Wash for the purpose of protecting property within said proposed district from damage by flood water and the acquiring of any rights of way necessary for the improvement of said washes herein referred to.

It is proposed to assess all property embraced in said proposed protection district for the purpose of paying the damages, costs and expenses of constructing the proposed improvements and the necessary expense of maintaining and repairing the said works and improvement.

The time fixed for hearing in said matter is May 3rd, 1915, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.; and the place where said hearing will be held is the office of the Board of Supervisors in the County Hall of Records, in the City of Los Angeles. Any person interested, objecting to the formation of said proposed district, or to the extent thereof, may, at or before the time fixed for hearing of the matter, file with the clerk of said Board of Supervisors, written objections thereto, stating briefly his ground of objection, which objections will be considered by the Board of Supervisors at the hearing herein referred to.

Reference is hereby made to said resolution of intention for further particulars.

H. J. LELANDE,
County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles.
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News of the Valley

BALDWIN PARK.

W. C. T. U. Notes

The meeting held last Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. D. J. Shultis was well attended and a very interesting and instructive afternoon spent. The election of officers resulted in the following ladies taking office for the ensuing term: president, Mrs. Lou Warner; secretary and recording secretary, Mrs. E. C. Roney; treasurer, Mrs. Chas. Barker.

Essie Power is Wed

Miss Essie Power, formerly of Baldwin Park, now a resident of Coalinga, was married Wednesday, March 17th, to Marion Lincoln of McKittrick. The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock in the evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Power, only the family being present. The young couple will make their home in McKittrick, where the groom has a good position in the Southern Pacific oil fields.—Baldwin Park Bulletin.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Gilson of Los Angeles are spending the week with the parents of the former, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Gilson.

There will be several musical numbers at the morning and evening services at the Baldwin Park church on Easter Sunday.

Mr. Campbell, who has been very ill at the home of Mr. Garner, is rapidly recovering.

Miss Moore and Miss Louise Houston of El Monte were guests Wednesday of Mrs. L. W. Wilkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wilkinson were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Heintz.

Cleveland Heath of Los Angeles and his guest from Brawley, William Boden, were recent visitors of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Heath.

Mrs. Hulda Banta has returned from a delightful trip to San Diego, where she visited the fair grounds.

The Camp Fire Girls, chaperoned by Miss Leota Brolin, took their first hike Wednesday. They left Baldwin Park early in the morning and walked to Fish canyon, where thty picnicked, returning towards evening.

CHARTER OAK.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Rose entertained Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Mace and Mr. and Mrs. William Smith at a daintily appointed dinner Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Rose and Miss Rose entertained Mrs. Simms, son and daughter, from Pasadena, and Mr. M. M. Fishback of Orange on Tuesday. In the afternoon the party motored to San Gabriel to attend the Mission Play.

Miss Lenore Rose of Orange is spending her Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Rose.

Miss Mary Hendee of Los Angeles spent Friday with Miss Sara Morris.

Mrs. R. H. Middleton spent Thursday in Los Angeles.

Misses Lena Lee White and Allie Lee Hall of Los Angeles are spending their Easter vacation with Mrs. M. F. White.

Mrs. William Kent entertained the Five Hundred Club at a delightful evening of cards Tuesday of this week.

WEST COVINA.

Walnut Grove Sold

A deal was consummated this week in Walnut Center property whereby Miss Elizabeth Fulton of Pomona became the owner of ten acres of 9-year-old walnut trees located on San Fransquito boulevard and Puente avenue, a part of the Bennett ranch. This property is one of the finest in that thriving walnut section and is said to have been sold for $950 per acre, there being no buildings on the land. Miss Fulton intends in the near future, to build and will make her home there.

The deal was made by the firm of M. Stewart Realty Co., of 522 Van Nuys building, Los Angeles. Mr. Stewart and son, E. H. Stewart, were both former residents of Baldwin Park and still own property there themselves, and are always found pulling for their home town and vicinity. Mr. Stewart stated that they had visited with Miss Fulton every walnut section in Southern California, and that after careful consideration of the merits of each locality, she decided that Walnut Center was far in advance of any other locality for the culture of walnuts. The deal was said to be an all cash transaction.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Lockwood of Montana are visiting G. N. Lockwood and family.

A party who spent last Sunday picnicking in the Whittier hills was composed of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lang and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Hoar and Miss Elizabeth Fleming of Pasadena.

IRWINDALE.

Mrs. C. H. Clarke left this week to visit her daughter in Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Heath, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Coltrin and Mrs. Searcy motored to Compton to attend a funeral Monday.

Mrs. Josephine Dodd, who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. O. M. Baughman, this week has returned to Sawtelle with other relatives.

STATE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S DECISION CONCERNING EL MONTE'S $1.35 GAS RATE

The State Railroad Commission, in the case of El Monte citizens who protested against alleged unjust prices for gas in that locality, furnished by the Southern Counties Gas Company, has returned a decision denying a reduction in rates. Carl F. Raag and others of El Monte petitioned the commission asking for a hearing and praying for a reduction on the grounds that the rates were excessive. The rates are $1.35 per 1000 feet, the same rates that obtain in Covina city and surrounding territory supplied by the Southern Counties Gas Company.

In the opinion handed down last week by the railroad commission, the commissioners say:

Southern Counties Gas Company of California referred to in the complaint as The Southern Counties Gas Company owns and operates a gas manufacturing plant in Monrovia, distribution systems in Monrovia, Sierra Madre, and Arcadia, and in the unincorporated territory in and adjacent to South Santa Anita and El Monte, and a high pressure transmission line connecting these communities. In addition to the Monrovia system, referred to above, and a portion of which is involved in this case, defendant owns and operates a gas manufacturing plant in Covina, which supplies that city, Glendora, Azusa and intervening territory, an artificial gas plant and system in Whittier, and a high pressure transmission system supplying natural gas to defendant's distribution systems in Santa Ana, Orange, Anaheim, Fullerton, Placentia and Garden Grove.

The transmission line from Monrovia to El Monte was completed about four years ago at which time gas was sold to consumers in that community at a rate of $1.50 per 1000 cubic feet. On November 1, 1912, defendant made a voluntary reduction in its rate for artificial gas supplied in and adjacent to El Monte, and that rate of $1.35 was in effect at the time the complaint was filed in this case.

Refuses Reduction

Complainants allege that defendant is charging a higher rate in El Monte and the Monrovia district than in the Anaheim District and a higher rate than is charged by other companies operating in adjoining territory. While it is true that lower rates prevail in other territory supplied by defendant and that adjacent territory, supplied by other utilities, are enjoying lower rates than are paid in El Monte, complainants have failed entirely to recognize the fact that in the Anaheim district defendant is distributing natural gas which is purchased at a low cost from the Petroleum Development Company operating in the Brea Canyon and Olinda fields. A comparison of rates charged in El Monte with those in San Gabriel, Alhambra and points north and west, gives no indication of a proper rate to be charged by defendant under the conditions prevailing in the Monrovia district. San Gabriel is supplied by the Los Angeles Gas and Electric Company with a mixed natural and artificial gas at a low rate, made possible only by the large operations of this utility and the lessened cost of production due to the large mixture of natural gas with the artificial product.

Comparison of Cities

Considerable discussion arose at the hearing in regard to the difference in rates charged by defendant in Monrovia and Sierra Madre and those prevailing in Arcadia, South Santa Anita and El Monte, but when the relative size of the several communities are considered, and the lower cost of distribution in Monrovia and Sierra Madre resulting from a greater density of population in these cities, the difference in the rates charged appears to be justified.

After a careful consideration of the entire matter, I am of the opinion that complainants have no just cause for complaint as to the rates charged by defendant for gas supplied by it in El Monte, and recommend that the complaint in this case be dismissed without prejudice.

I submit the following form of order:

ODRER

Public hearing having been held in the above entitled case and the same having been submitted and being now ready for decision,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the complainant in the above entitled proceedings be and the same is hereby dismissed without prejudice.

The report is signed by Max Thelen, H. D. Loveland, Edwin O. Edgerton and Frank R. Devlin, commissioners.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Matter of the Estate of Elisha H. Lemon, Deceased.

IT IS ORDERED, That Notice to the Creditors of Elisha H. Lemon, deceased, be given by publication in a newspaper of the County at least once a week for four weeks.

Dated, March 17th, A.D. 1915.

JAMES C. RIVES,
Judge of the Superior Court.

Notice to Creditors

Estate of Elisha H. Lemon, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Bernice Lemon, Administratrix of the Estate of Elisha H. Lemon, deceased, to the Creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit the same with the necessary vouchers, within ten (10) months after the first publication of this notice to the said Bernice Lemon, Administratrix of the Estate of Elisha H. Lemon, at the City of Covina, in the County of Los Angeles.

Dated this 17th day of March, A.D. 1915.

BERNICE LEMON.

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ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Covina Irrigating Company, principal place of business, Covina, Covina Township, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors, held on the third day of March, 1915, an assessment (No. 65) of 100 cents per share was levied upon the capital stock (as increased October 22nd, 1886) of the above named corporation, payable immediately to the secretary at the office of the company at Covina, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 6th day of April, 1915, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 28th day of April, 1915, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the office of the company in Covina, County of Los Angeles, State of California, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with cost of advertising and expense of sale.

B. F. EDWARDS, Secretary.
Covina, Cal., March 3, 1915.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Sheriff's Sale, No. B16267

Maude E. Vroom Rubey, formerly Maude E. Vroom, Plaintiff, vs. R. F. Huntoon and Louise C. Huntoon, his wife, Walter J. Wapler and Lillian F. Wapler, his wife, David Bradshaw and Laura Bradshaw, his wife, Frank E. Halliday and Grace Halliday, his wife, W. D. Newerf and Anna G. Newerf, his wife, Title Insurance and Trust Company, a corporation, Citizens National Bank of Los Angeles, California, a corporation, Defendants.

Order of Sale and Decree of Foreclosure and Sale.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, issued out of the Superior Court of the County of Los Angeles, of the State of California, on the 22nd day of January, A.D. 1915, in the above entitled action, wherein Maude E. Vroom Rubey, formerly Maude E. Vroom, the above named plaintiff, obtained a judgment and decree of foreclosure and sale against R. F. Huntoon and Louise C. Huntoon, his wife, et al, defendants, on the 15th day of January, A.D. 1915, for the sum of Forty six hundred fifty-nine and 27-100 ($4659.27) Dollars, gold coin of United States which said decree was, on the 20th day of January A. D. 1915, recorded in Judgment Book 337 of said Court, at page 287, I am commanded to sell all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and bounded and described as follows:

The north half of the following described property: Beginning at the common corner of sections ten (10) fifteen (15) eleven (11) and fourteen (14) in township one (1) south, Range ten (10) west, S.B.M., thence east seven hundred seventy-two (772) feet; thence south five hundred twenty-one and ninety-six hundredths (521.96) feet; thence in a westerly direction seven hundred seventy-eight and fifty hundredths (778.50) feet, more or less, to the Section line between Sections fourteen (14) and fifteen (15); thence north along said section line five hundred twenty-one and sixty-six hundredths (521.66) feet to the place of beginning, containing nine and twenty-nine hundredths (9.29) acres, more or less, excepting from said north half the north sixteen and one-half (16½) feet thereof conveyed by John W. Groover to the S.P.R.R. Co. by deed recorded in book 1045, page 290, of deeds, records of said county. Subject to an easement over the west thirty (30) feet of said north half for road, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances, water and water rights, pipes, flumes and ditches, thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof.

Public Notice is Hereby Given, That, on Monday, the 5th day of April, A. D. 1915, at 12:00 o'clock M., of that day, in front of the Court House door of the County of Los Angeles, Broadway entrance, I will, in obedience to said order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, sell the above described property, or so much therof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment, with interest and costs, etc., to the highest and best bidder for cash gold coin of the United states.

Dated this 12th day of March, 1915.

JNO. C. CLINE,
Sheriff of Los Angeles County.
By W. T. Osterholt,
Deputy Sheriff.
E. D. Barry,
Plaintiff's Attorney. 4-3

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

Notice is hereby given, that the annual meeting of the stockholders of La Grande Source Water Company will be held at the office of the corporation, Room 7, Reed Block, in the City of Covina, Los Angeles County, California, on Monday, the fifth day of April, 1915, at ten o'clock a.m., for the purpose of electing directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before said meeting.

Dated March 20th, 1915.

HENRY LASSALETTE,
Secretary.

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TELEPHONE NO. 3

Believes in Investigation

The Whittier News, circulating in one of the large and important citrus districts, thinks that a discussion of the causes of poor marketing conditions or oranges would be good for the industry. The newspaper quotes from another paper, starting off as follows:

The question, What's the matter with the citrus fruit market, is certainly pertinent—yea, important—yea, verily, it is vital. Therefore, while we may not fully agree with them, the expression of any intelligent views on the subject are worthy of newspaper space. The latest, and in one respect at least, the most startling point of view, comes from "A Grower" through the San Bernardino Index, as follows:

Although orange prices will average well when the total receipts are in, they are not what they should be measured by the prices paid by the consumers at fruit stands throughout the East, from 40 to 60 cents a dozen.

This year has very conclusively proved to orange growers that the grower is all right and the consumer is all right—the trouble is between the grower and the consumer, as is well said by George E. Stewart, an orange grower and member of the exchange in a communication to the Los Angeles Times.

The old tariff theory which has been used by politicians for so many years to fool the growers is "busted up." The tariff hasn't any more to do with the price of citrus fruits than has the president of China. There is something radically wrong, and it isn't caused by any imports; it is wholly within the United States, and it is somewhere between the grower and the consumer and from the agitation of the question this season there promises to be a solution ere next season that will bring the grower into his own.

The markets this year show that in many instances the broker and the retailer get nine times as much as the grower does for his oranges. There must be a remedy and the awakened orange growers are going to find it.

Slowly Getting Better

Business is better—that's sure. This paper is not in the habit of keeping up a continuous and idiotic strain of optimism when everyone knows that things are depressed. If there is one thing more than another that irritates to madness, it is t he man who is a professional optimist, who goes about uttering falsehoods with a cheerful face. There is more or less psychology in business, to be sure, but it doesn't make business any better to lie about conditions when they are fundamentally depressed, as they have been for two years.

But business is better in Covina—there's no doubt about it, and the indications are that it will get more brisk as the summer advances.

The reason for this is largely to be found in the influx of money and folks from the East. The state is nearly full of them now, and trains are arriving loaded every day. Then we are receiving money for the oranges, not big, profitable money, but money, nevertheless, and money can never flow back to the producers, whatever the quantity, without making some difference in the status of the general trade.

The first depression caused by the war is slowly passing. Business has been temporarily in almost total eclipse in the East because of the terror of capital at the outbreak of the world cataclysm. It will be a long time finding normality, and there will be a wariness for months, and a watchful eye on every request of the borrower. But the world must be fed by the United States, and this is no small order.

The Argus predicts that business will be fairly good for several months now, until the natural quietude of midsummer comes. We cannot expect good and flush times for a couple of years. It takes time for a country to recuperate from the repeated blows from several sources that this country has been dealt in a business way.

But let us fervently thank God that it is only business that has been receiving wounds, and not the manhood of the country. God grant us peace!

Feeding the Nations

The extent to which Uncle Sam has been making good in his new job of feeding the world is shown in the official government figures of our exports for the past seven months of the war. During that time we sent abroad $377,400,000 worth of breadstuffs and meat, an increase of $188,000,000 over similar exports for the same months in the preceding year in spite of the fact that the war period started so badly for our commerce. There were 100,000,000 bushels more wheat sold abroad than the year before, 10,000,000 bushels more corn, 1,500,000 barrels more flour, 38,000,000 bushels more oats, 40,000,000 pounds more fresh beef and 1,000,000 pounds more pickled beef. And the quantity of food exports has been steadily increasing from the first, with no sign of change.

Along with these foodstuffs, of course, there has been a vast increase in other goods particularly in gasoline, naphtha and related mineral oils of which there was a total gain of 133,000,000 gallons—and of clothing, shoes, leather goods, copper, automobiles, and various war munitions. The chief factor, however, in building up this great trade has been food. It was our plentiful crops of last harvest that providentially saved us from the full economic rigors of a world-disaster which has fallen far more heavily on every other neutral nation. And while our manufactures are constantly rising to greater prominence in the export trade, we shall probably rely this year, too, on our agricultural surplus as the chief basis of returning prosperity.

The "Habit" of Regulating Business

It has come to be a fact that the business men of this country welcome the adournment of congress and the legislatures of the various states. A feeling of relief pervades commercial avenues when the law-making bodies of the country quit and go home. This feeling of relief is stronger this year than ever before and it is likely that there is more real rejoicing at the adjournment of congress and the proximity of similar action by the different legislatures than at any time.

The truth is that about everybody who is to do business in this land of the free and the home of the brave is heartily tired of the desire on the part of our law-making bodies to regulate everything under the sun. We have had more "regulating" and less real needful legislation within the past few years than at any time within memory. The Argus believes that the country is sick and tired of it.

And this is said without thoughts of politics or political questions, for the anxiety to regulate all things comes from no political party in particular.

This wide-spread itching to prescribe metes and bounds by which the business of the country shall be conducted has been demonstrated in nothing so much as the innumerable bills introduced in the state legislatures and congress to limit the manner in which the marketing of farm produce shall be done. So many of these cure-all bills have been introduced that the Argus confesses its inability to keep track of them. But it is safe to say that practically all of these bills have been introduced by men who know no more about the great question of marketing than the merest tyro.

The truth is that those men who, from long study of the question of marketing farm produce are in a position to know the most about it, are the least inclined to meddle with it.

CYRIL WILLOUGHBY HURT IN FALL FROM AUTO

Cyril Willoughby, the 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Willoughby of Howard street, who was so seriously injured last Friday night in falling from an automobile, was reported yesterday by his mother as improving in a satisfactory manner.

Young Willoughby was one of a number of high school boys who followed the Pasadena truck of scholars along the boulevard after the festival in the school last Friday evening. The machine was crowded, and when they reached a point near Monrovia, the boys decided to turn around. In turning, Willoughby was thrown from off the running board where he had been riding. He struck on his head, rendering him unconscious. His comrades threw water on him in an attempt to bring him to consciousness. He was taken to a nearby house and given treatment, but he did not revive. From Friday until last Tuesday he remained at his home in an unconscious condition, but during the last few days has been gradually coming out of the catamose condition. Dr. J. D. Reed, who attended him, believes that the boy is on the road to recovery, although he will be in bed some time yet.

CRADLE ROLL DAY AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

In place of the regular Easter exercises, the Christian church will hold their annual cradle roll day and promotion Sunday at the hour of the morning service.

The following program will be given and all friends are cordially welcome:

Opening hymn, congregation; "What the Cradle Roll Is, Its Purpose, Etc.," pastor; song and communion; "Greeting to Parents and Babies," primary class; reception to new cradle roll members—distribution of certificates, Ruth Pollard, Hazel Goodrich, and Juanita Jackson; concertina solo, Mr. L. Mehnert; scripture recitation, Amelia Temple; piano solo, Lurene Cook; "That's Baby," Jennie Goodrich, Mark Temple, Elizabeth Clark, Neise Armel, and Miriam Lepley; violin and piano duet, Fleta and Eva Bisbee; "Open the Gates," primary class; promotion of cradle rollers into primary class; violin and flute duet, Dorothy and Vesta Ames; vocal solo, Miss Mary Goodwin; "Babies Who Belong to Our Cradle Roll Department," Ross Blackman Thompson; "The Butterfly Song," Eugenia Swearingen; violin and piano duet, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Chapman; "Babies," Marbie Curtis; "Babies Bright and Babies Sweet," primary class; "The Babies Grow Up," Eugene Ames; cornet and piano duet, Charlotte and Mary Temple; recitation, Fay Neff; song, congregation.

Christian church, corner San Bernardino and Park streets. Special program will occupy the morning service. It is Recognition Day for the Cradle Roll and Promotion Day for the juniors. Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Shoemaker will have charge of this service. Y.P. S.C.E. at 6:30; "Conquering Discouragement" will be the topic. The pastor will preach at the evening service. The subject is, "What Must I Do To Be Saved?" The mid-week subject is "The Unused Spices," found in Luke 23: 50-24. Garrett W. Thompson, pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Nye, father of W. P. Nye, together with Mr. Nye's brother, Arthur W. Nye, were visitors here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Graves entertained Mr. and Mrs. Zeitlow of Aberdeen, S.D., on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chess and Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong of Monrovia were guests the first of the week of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Graves.

Professor Lowell announces that a great flood is beginning on Mars. If we must have floods that's the place for 'em.

BANKS URGED TO ADVERTISE FREELY

LOS ANGELES, March 24.—Declaring that banks have a moral responsibility in trying to foster a saving spirit in the community in which they are located, E. G. McWilliam, of the Security Trust and Savings bank, advocated banks advertising in a talk before the members of the Ad club at the Clark hotel yesterday.

"I believe that every bank should do its part through advertising to educate the public just as much as any other institution so closely connected with men in every walk of life," said Mr. McWilliam. "No matter whether it is a savings or any other kind of a bank it should show every man the necessity of establishing a capital for himself.

"Advertising by banks serves to inculcate a spirit of thrift, teaches economy along the right lines, and is a great factor in aiding men and woman to see the advantage of saving a part of their income," he concluded.

NOT SENSIBLE ACTION SAYS RIVERSIDE PRESS

The Riverside Press, an independent progressive newspaper, says editorially:

The California Building Trades council has seriously weakened its standing with honest people by adopting resolutions declaring its belief in the innocence of Caplan and Schmidt, accused of complicity in the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building. It will be remembered that similar action was taken in the case of the McNamaras by labor organizations all over the country; and a big fund was raised by assessment on the members of labor unions for their defense. The generally accepted view among labor union men was that they were the victims of capitalistic persecution.

It turned out, however, by their own confession that they were dynamiters and murderers; and the fact that they had been so zealously defended by labor union leaders struck a blow at organized labor that it will take a decade to recover from. The confessions of the McNamaras and McManigal involved these men Caplan and Schmidt and the presumption of their guilt is therefore tremendously strong. They will have a fair trial and that is all they are entitled to. With the record as it stands against them today, there seems to be no occasion to waste any maudlin sympathy on them. It is going to be up to a jury of their peers to pass on the question of their guilt or innocence and the wise course is to wait for that verdict. Some overzealous union men, however, are trying to make martyrs of these men, and the practical effect of that is to lead a lot of people to think that organized labor stands for violence and crime. That is not true in any general sense; and one of the best proofs of that fact wou'd be for the building trades council and all other labor organizations in California to leave Caplan and Schmidt to shift for themselves. They seem capable of making an aggressive fight to get everything in their favor before the court and of securing competent attorneys to represent them; and that is all that should be asked in their behalf.

STATE ASSEMBLY PASSES NON-PARTISAN MEASURE

SACRAMENTO, March 24.—The Young non-partisan election bill was passed by the assembly late tonight by the vote of 48 to 31, and thus was accomplished the first step toward carrying out Governor Johnson's recommendation that all state officials should be elected without regard to party affiliations.

The passage of the bill by the senate, which is certain, and its signing by the governor, also sure, will mean that in all elections hereafter there will be no party designations on the ballot except for candidates for United States senator, congressmen and congressional committeemen. Voters will not declare their party when they register, and those who are nominated for state offices will have their names on the ballot without regard to whether they are Republicans, Democrats, Progressives, Socialists or members of any other party.

The passage of the bill was brought about after an entire day and most of the night had been spent upon it, with the leaders of the majority urging its passage and those who are not of the governor's following making desperate attempts to amend it and thereby delay it on its course to the senate. Sixty-six proposed amendments, most of them offered by Schmitt of San Francisco, were rejected.

The result was never in doubt, as the opponents realized early in the day that they could not bring defeat to this, the governor's pet measure. For the bill there were 28 Progressives, 9 Republicans, 9 Democrats, 1 Socialist and 1 Prohibitionist. Against it there were 22 Republicans, 7 Democrats and 2 Socialists.

The assembly refused to adjourn, even for dinner tonight, while the fight, the bitterest of the session, was on.

Crowning Insult

Sometimes one can hurt another's feelings worse by a slight action than by any number of words. There is an example of this in the young married woman who went home to her mother and sobbingly declared she just couldn't be happy with her husband again.

"I would't have minded it so much, mother," she sobbed, "if Charlie had answered me back when I scolded him, bu—bu—he did something worse?"

Her mother was duly shocked at this.

"Mercy! My dear child," she exclaimed. "He struck you, then?"

"No; worse than that, mother!" and the young wife sobbed afresh.

"Tell me at once!" indignantly demanded her mother.

"He just yawned!"—Lippincott's.

Two cockneys went down the Thames for a bank holiday. In the afternoon they decided to try fishing. The owner of a stream-side mill rented them some tackle; and, as neither of them had ever wet a line before, he warned thm that they must stand financially responsible for any damage occurring to the outfits as a result of their inexperience.

Presently, when they had been fishing a little while, one called along the bank to his friend:

"Garge, wot does yer call the thing that bobs abaht on the water?"

"The float."

"Well, then, I'll have to pay that there willer for mine—that's all."

"Why so?" demanded Garge.

"Because the bloomin' thing's sunk!"

A Strong Argument

PAYMENT BY CHECK is simply a precaution by which you insure yourself against loss of money, inconvenience in making change, and the possibility of being short-changed or receiving counterfeit money.

You are absolutely protected against a second payment of the same bill, for the cancelled check, bearing the creditor's signature, constitutes the very best kind of a receipt.

These facts appeal to intelligent people.

Covina National Bank

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V. O. English, Cashier

OUR SODA FINE & DRINK IT!

Yes, drink our quality soda. The flavors have a delightful, smooth richness, just the right taste you want. And the beauty of it is that our soda not only tickles the palate, but it is so pure and free from harmful ingredients that it helps the system. Hundreds of folks in town say our soda is the best ever. Plenty of room for all and prompt attention. Our drug store is the best for quick and good service.

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Prescription Druggist

Phone 12 — COVINA

Reliable Garage

is employing capable men in the mechanical department. It will be to your interest to try our work on your car.

E. G. HOTCHKISS

A FULL LINE OF FORD PARTS ALWAYS ON HAND

FIRST-CLASS VULCANIZING BY NEW LIVE STEAM PRESS

West College Street — Phone 635

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If you wish your trees and vines properly pruned by an expert practical pruner (not a tree-butcher and mutilator), who can give you a good reason for every cut made or limb removed, prolong the life of your trees and increase their fruit bearing, the undersigned is at your service, and at reasonable rates. Drop me a card and I will call and see you.

J. S. SOULE

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ARGUS LINER ADS DO THE WORK

This a fact. They do more work, sell more goods and are of more benefit to their users than any other agency, considering their cost.

Every week people voluntarily testify to the really wonderful quick results they get from these liners.

Right along people dispose of all kinds of articles, from building lots and lands, down to small household articles. They are especially effective in selling horses, cows, and poultry.

Have you a farm implement or household article which you no longer need? Try an Argus liner. The cost will be in the neighborhood of 25c and the balance of the money you get from the sale will be like finding money. Phone it in.

Home Phone No. 3.

Local Events

New designs in penny Easter post cards. Covina Book Store.

Harry Neil of Exeter called on Covina friends this week.

See Mrs. Clapper for dressmaking. 120 W. College St. tf

Picture framing. Covina Book Store.

Trout season opened this week. Fishing tackle of all kinds at the Henry-Hall Hardware House.

Mr and Mrs. C. H. Curtis have been spending the past ten days attending the San Francisco fair.

Miss Adah Waye of Los Angeles visited Mrs. W. M. Griswold from Friday until Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Carl Kendig and daughters, Hazel and Jean, returned Saturday from an extended visit in Illinois.

Mr. Brunner and family have taken a flat at the San Antonio and will move in the last of the week.

San Gabriel canyon fishing is reported good this year. Get your fishing tackle at Henry-Hall Hardware House.

This is the season for budding over Australian navels or all kinds of citrus tree pruning. See G. F. Preston, phone 785. tf

Mrs. Basil Gordon entertained the Covina-Glendora Bridge Club with a luncheon, followed by cards, Thursday.

Miss Jessie Kistler spent the week-end at Imperial valley and was the Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Garry Layman.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Smith and baby, Jean, of Torrance were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Scofield and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mitchell of New York City were recent guests of Mrs. Rosa C. Clarke on their way to visit the expositions.

Miss Harriett L. Davis made her official visit to the Esperanza Chapter of the Eastern Star in Los Angeles last week and was presented with a beautiful cut glass dish and roses. She visited El Monte chapter this week.

Miss Carmelita Woerner of San Francisco is a guest of Miss Gertrude Elliott this week. Miss Woerner will be bride's maid at the wedding of Miss Elliott and Mr. Milliken next week.

The Covina Transfer Company has changed its offices from the Wells Fargo office to the office of R. A. Welch corner of College and Citrus avenue, opposite the First National Bank. For all kinds of transfer work call phone 54. tf

Miss Muriel Sherwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Sherwood, graduated with honors from the state normal school in Los Angeles Thursday of this week. She is a young lady of refinement and attractive personality, and will become a valuable addition to the fine corps of teachers in Los Angeles county.

Mrs. W. H. Hackney, who has been a guest at the Thorne home for several months, left Saturday for an extended visit to a sister at Enderlin, N. D., after which visiting her former home at Rochester, Minn. En route she will stop at the Grand Canyon and visit relatives at Kingman, Ariz. On her return trip she will visit the Yellowstone national park, Glacier national park and take in the fair at San Francisco, and will return to Covina about July first.

Miss Nell Brinkley, famous newspaper and magazine artist, arrived in Los Angeles Sunday with her mother. She came out to see her fine foothill lemon ranch in Glendora Monday. She has lost none of her loyalty and enthusiasm for California during her absence in New York for almost one year. The Glendora home of Miss Brinkley is one of the most charming and picturesque of the many surpassingly beautiful homes in Southern California, and while finding relaxation in the quietude of her lovely home, she will gather fresh inspiration for the work which has made her name a household word the world over.—Glendora Gleaner.

On Sunday evening at the First Baptist church an Easter musical program will be rendered. Mrs. Fannie Blair of Los Angeles, a concert singer of large experience, possessing a beautiful voice of unusual range and power, will assist. Following is the program: 1. "Angel, Roll the Rock Away" (Emerson), double quartet; 2. "Awake, Glad Soul" (Adones), double quartet; 3. Soprano solo, Mrs. Fannie Blair; 4. Violin solo, Mr. Paul Custer; 5. "Praise Ye the Father (Gounod), full chorus choir; 6. Duet, "Blessed Savior," Mrs. Blair and Mr. Taylor; 7. "Praise Ye the Risen King" (Hine), double quartet; 8. Sermonette by the pastor, "Your Easter Egg." A cordial invitation to all.

Easter novelties. Covina Book Store.

Easter seals, something new, 5c. a package. Covina Book Store.

W. A. Layman is in Imperial valley on business.

Mrs. C. I. Smith and two children of Hollywood have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Oscar Miller, this week.

"Pollyanna Grows Up," the second "Glad Book," at the Covina Book Store.

Mr. and Mrs. De Witt of Sacramento spent last week visiting their aunt, Mrs. B. L. Reynolds, and family.

Mr. McLenchas is spending his Easter vacation with his school mate, Sam Broadwell.

Miss Marjorie Misner of Pasadena is visiting Miss Dorothy Bryan during her Easter vacation.

Mrs. B. F. Thorpe is spending a couple of weeks with Mr. Thorpe at the Canfield ranch near San Diego.

Don't forget special thread sale at Needlework Shop, Tuesday and Wednesday. 1t

See California's most wonderful beauty in the Yosemite educational films, April 10.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Pierce entertained Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Badis of Lydonville, Vt., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Baird of Los Angeles were over-Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Taylor on Orange avenue.

Don't miss seeing the seven Yosemite reels at the Argus entertainment, April 10, at the club house.

Mrs. G. J. Smart, Miss Smart and uncle, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Jessup and Miss Peake motored to Long Beach Wednesday to spend the day.

Mrs. H. Dethlefs and family of Portland have arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taschner for an indefinite stay.

Miss Josephine Eason, formerly of Covina, now of Santa Barbara, spent a couple of days this week with Miss Vic Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Mussey and two children of Los Angeles were guests of Mr. Mussey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Mussey of Lemonita ranch, on Sunday.

The Yarnell Ranch Nnrsery, Baldwin Park, Cal. Citrus and deciduous fruit trees of every kind. You can rely upon our tag. P.O. address, A. Yarnell, 4524 Central Ave., Los Angeles. tf

Mr. Clay Thomas and daughter, Miss Gaybrilla, returned to their home in Missouri Thursday morning, after spending the winter with Mrs. L. C. Clapper and Mrs. G. C. Martin, daughters of Mr. Thomas.

Ladies of Covina! Mrs. Masson is ready for your spring orders for the Nubone corsets. Can give plenty of references and guarantees all her work. Address Baldwin Park. 4-3

Dr. Alice P. Smith, osteopathic physician and surgeon, announces that her practice has increased so rapidly that she expects to spend three days a week in Covina at her office at the hotel Vendome. 1t

Take out those gum-diseased trees and Australians and plant avocadoes. No fumigation. Come and see what two and three-year-old trees are doing on the Good Luck Ranch. Bonita Nursery, phone 711. 4-3p

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Colcord left Monday via San Francisco for their home in Boston after a two weeks' visit with their brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. G. Basil Gordon. They were accompanied as far as San Francisco by their mother, Mrs. E. Colcord. In company with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Colcord visited the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Diego two weeks ago. They expressed themselves as being highly pleased with California and its magnificent scenery and boundless resources.—Glendora Gleaner.

Mrs. Georgina S. Townsend entertained Mrs. Alice Moore MacComas at her home, Naranja del Oro Rancho, this week. Mrs. MacComas spends most of each year with her famous daughter, Miss Carroll MacComas, in New York City, but returns to California each spring to look after her orange ranch at San Dimas. This year Miss MacComas, and her sister, Mrs. Chas. P. Gray of New York City, will join Mrs. MacComas at "The Rendezvous" at San Dimas and spend the summer there, visiting the expositions from that point. Mrs. Gray will be accompanied by her two little daughters.

Mr. Widener has paid $150,000 for a marble bust, which he will doubtless use as a rack for the $80,000 helmet he bought the other day. This shows how one little thing leads to another.

When those lady United States senators arrive in Washington they will be glad to find that Senator Tillman has been looking out for their comfort by having smoking at the executive sessions abolished.

Mrs. Carroll Webb entertained the Misses Rose and Rachael Kelley of Sioux City Thursday.

Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. McClintock, former Sioux City friends, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Webb.

C. E. Blackman purchased a 1915 Maxwell 5-passenger auto from the local agent, E. A. Poe, this week.

Mrs. J. N. Wilson and son, Harold, will spend the Easter vacation at San Diego.

Mr. R. S. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Holmes and Miss Law spent Thursday at the Mission Inn in Riverside.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taschner and family entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Meyer of Pasadena over the week-end. On Sunday the party motored to Whittier.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes and Miss Pauline Law leave Monday for San Francisco for a two weeks' visit at the exposition. Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Walker will follow them Wednesday and remain the two weeks.

Mrs. E. E. Kaiser, Mrs. F. C. Kaiser and Mrs. E. V. Rice, a committee of ladies from the Presbyterian church, took a large basket of colored Easter eggs to the Merwin schoolhouse Friday afternoon, and the little people spent the afternoon with an egg hunt.

EASTER MORNING SERVICE AT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

High celebration begins at 11 a.m.

The well-known Easter hymns will be sung, led by full vested choir. Eyre's communion service, kyrie, gloria in excelsis, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei. The people of the community are cordially invited by the rector.

Evensong service:

At 7:30 o'clock in the evening there will be an evensong, with an interspercing of solos, duets, anthems and other musical numbers. Those who appreciate Easter music, and who like to join in singing the hymns of Resurrection will find this an interesting service.

RIVERSIDE A PIONEER IN CULTURAL INQUIRY

A recent dispatch from Washington says:

California will be greatly interested in the item of $105,060, in the agricultural appropriation bill, for the investigation and improvement of fruits and the method of fruit growing, harvesting, packing, storing, handling and shipping, and for experimental shipments of fruit within the United States and to foreign countries.

California orange growers were pioneers in this class of investigation. It was at their instance that the department of agriculture sent G. Harold Powell to California, where his researches revolutionized the handling of citrus fruits and led the way to valuable experiments in handling deciduous fruits.

Credit for Mr. Powell's work should really be given to Riverside. It was through the persistent efforts of J. H. Reed that he was brought here; and when he came his work was very largely done in Riverside and with the co-operation of Riverside packers and growers.

The results of his investigation started a general movement in the state for a larger work in the interest of the farmers and fruit growers; and the Davis farm, the Riverside citrus station, the new agricultural building at Berkeley, and the coming to the state of Dean Hunt, Dr. Webber and other authorities are among the results of that movement.

Riverside started the good work and, just to keep the record straight, the Press takes occasion to emphasize that fact.—Riverside Press.

ANTS CONQUERED

Experience of a Los Angeles Baker With These Annoying Pests

Some years ago a bakery, and candy-making establishment in Los Angeles was on the verge of being driven out of business by millions of ants—which got into the sugar, raisins, candies and cookies—and completely overran the entire place.

All kinds of remedies were tried upon them without result. Driven desperate by the scourge, the proprietor experimented for months in an attempt to devise something that would rid him of this plague.

He finally prepared a paste which produced results far beyond his most sanguine expectations. Once spread around the shop, it seemed to have almost a supernatural effect upon the ants. They were attracted to it from every nook and cranny of the establishment and fed upon it ravenously.

The following morning not an ant was to be found from one end of the shop to the other—and for thirty days thereafter the place was completely free of the pest. At the end of that period a new colony of ants appeared, but a single application of the magic paste again produced the same surprising result.

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WHAT MAKES IT GO?

The clock's a puzzle. The world's a puzzle. Motion's the joy of watchmakers and the despair of philosophers.

Our clocks and watches go. If there's any puzzling to be done we do it under a fair and honest guarantee.

F. E. WOLFARTH The Pioneer JEWELER

COVINA, CALIFORNIA

News of the great discovery soon spread, with the result that a general demand was immediately created for the wonderful paste. So great was the demand that it was deemed advisable to place it upon the market under the name of Kellogg's Ant Paste. Once introduced, a tremendous demand was created in all parts of the country—necessitating the building of a large factory in Los Angeles to turn out the paste in immense quantities.

Kellogg's Ant Paste is put up in packages provided with a patent rattle cap, which not only assures the purchaser that he is getting the genuine article, but also provides a warning, day or night, that the contents are poisonous. It is always well to look for the rattle cap, as imitations naturally have sprung up. The genuine Kellogg's can be obtained at all good drug stores.

OH, JOY! RELIGIOUS PAPERS WILL GET OUT PINK SHEET

CHICAGO, March 31.—"Why not have a sporting page in a religious paper and make it up to date?" was the question that startled the trustees and members of the faculty, gathered at the annual commencement exercises of the Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston.

This idea was advanced by Paul Hutchinson, one of the theological degree graduates.

Roy L. Smith, another graduate, made a plea for church advertisements.

HE MAKES HIS OWN MONEY

"Just a moment until I make this money good," said C. J. Anderson after he had called for his bill at the Clark prior to departure yesterday.

With a fountain pen he dashed his signature across the face of a $20 bill while the girl looked rather startled, wondering whether to call the house detective, police or the United States secret service officers.

The money was brand new and might be counterfeit, she argued to herself and sent a boy for Manager Dimmick. "Perfectly good," he said.

Mr. Anderson is president and principal owner of the Neligh national bank of Neligh, Neb. Instead of carrying a batch of bank drafts, money orders or similar collateral paper, he carries the bills of his own bank, which without his signature are valueless, and which signature is applied when the money is needed. He is visiting the expositions and is accompanied by his wife.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank everyone in this community who so kindly gave sympathy and assistance during the time of the death of our beloved wife and mother.

J. M. RUSH
J. H. RUSH

Attend to the Little Things

They need it, all right.

You can find lots of little things about the place that need attending to right now.

Make a list of the things you need from the lumber yard and let us make you a price on them.

We will sure make it worth your while to come to us for prices on all the lumber or building material you buy.

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Lumber—Lime—Cement—Plaster—Be aver Board

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Extra quality bacon 20c per pound by the side.

You know our bacon.

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"Jim" Corbett—an old friend in a new place.

The Argus

Charges In Advance For All Liner Advertising

Please bear this in mind, and accompany all advertising of this nature with remitance to cover.

Figure 5 Cents a Line In Advance Figure Six Written Words to a Line

If, for any good reason it is impossible to remit with the advertisement, we will run the same for one insertion at a minimum charge of 25 cents.

Want Ads are Payable in Advance

Henry Hassheider Is Surprised by Employes

Retiring Foreman of Covina Road District Presented With Splendid Timekeeper as Token of Esteem—John H. Cook is New Road Overseer

Because of his retirement from the position of road overseer in the Covina district, over which he has had jurisdiction for nearly six years, the friends and employes of Henry W. Hassheider gave him a very agreeable surprise on Wednesday night at the home of his brother, C. F. Hassheider.

The road overseer found that the men who had been working under him had gathered at his brother's house, and when he was brought into the room the new road overseer, John H. Cook, made a very appropriate speech and presented Mr. Hassheider with a gold watch. It was a present that any man would be glad to carry for a lifetime, and will be suitably engraved with his name and the record of the occasion when it was presented.

Besides the road overseer and his successor, the men present were: Quinter Bashore, James Hurdle, Fred Carpenter, Fred Lowery, Eldon Closson, John Loman, Theodore Tinker, Frank Godfrey, Robert Speer, Axel Hanson, Charles Coltrin and C. F. Hassheider. Refreshments were served during the evening by Mrs. C. F. Hassheider and Miss Lydia Hassheider.

John H. Cook is the new civil service foreman who began his duties on Thursday in the Covina district. He will move from Los Angeles to Covina shortly and make his home here. During Mr. Hassheider's occupation of the position he gave splendid satisfaction to the property-holders, and it is with regret that they see him relinquishing the place. Together with his brother, C. F. Hassheider, he is farming 110 acres in diversified crops in the valley. They have been about the most successful ranchers in the valley during the last three years. They have received record returns from walnuts and potatoes. The retiring foreman says he will go to the San Francisco fair, and may go on to Honolulu for a vacation.

ASCOT PARK RACES ON FAST DIRT TRACK

With Burman, Cooper and Disbrow all confident of breaking records, and with their cars in the best possible condition, all is ready for the world's 50 mile track championship between Burman in his Puegeot, Cooper in his Stutz and Disbrow in his Simplex. The race will be staged at Ascot Park, Los Angeles, Sunday afternoon.

Cooper has taken his Stutz No. 8, veteran of many a hard fought battle on the road, and geared it up for track work After his workout Wednesday morning, he declared he was thoroughly satisfied with the speed of his car, and he was sure he would be able to break records Sunday.

Burman turned several laps of the mile track faster than 50 seconds, and at the close of his practice said the Puegeot was faster than it has been at any time since it left the factory.

The Simplex has not been clocked on its fastest laps, but Disbrow is well satisfied with its work and declares he will be able to make a more sensational drive than ever before, and sensation is Disbrow's middle name.

The race Sunday will start at 3 o'clock. Up to 1 o'clock the sprinkling wagons will be kept busy laying the calcium chloride solution which is to be used to keep down the dust.

The management of the race has made every effort to successfully fight this unpleasant feature and is ready to guarantee that the track for the first time will be free from dust throughout the race.

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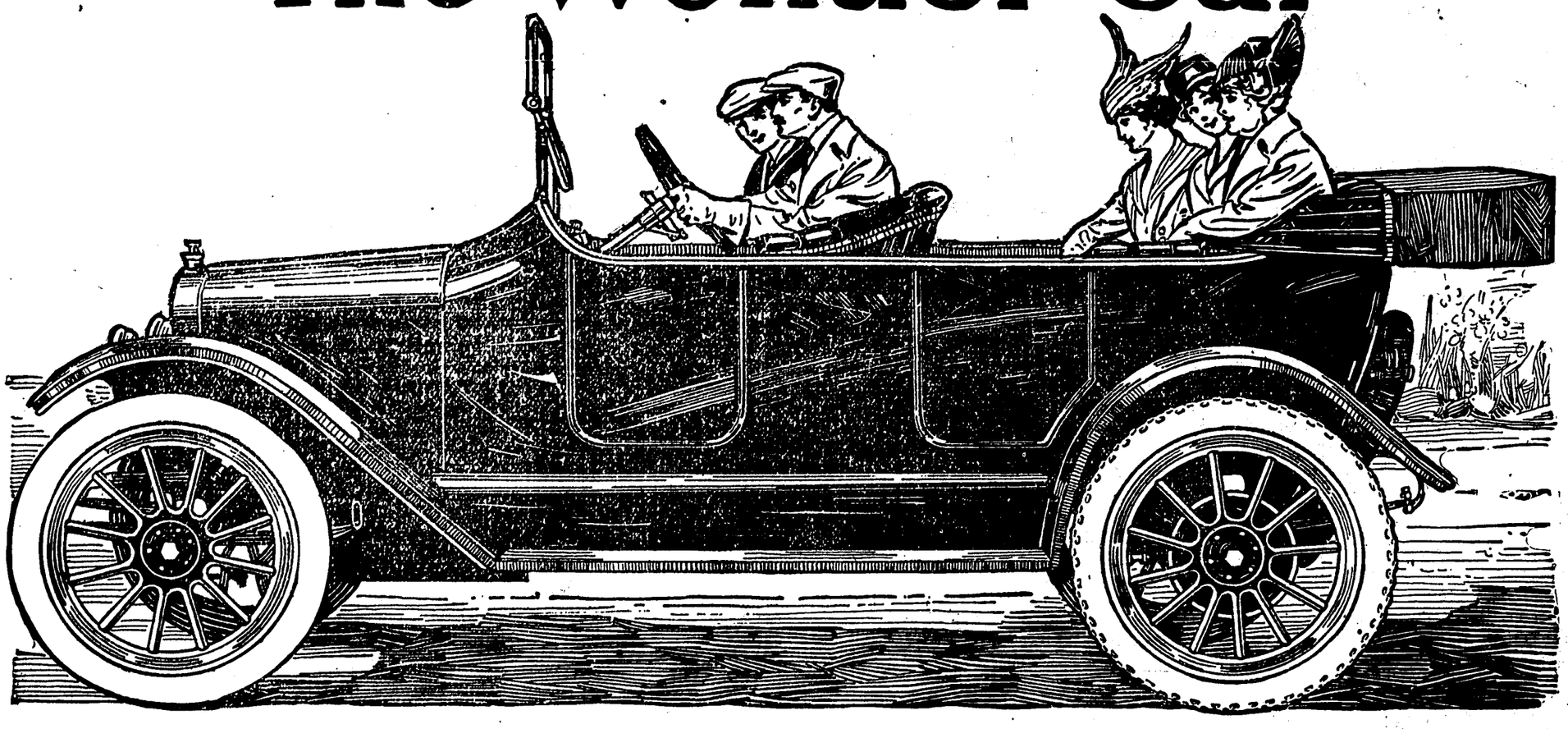

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The second mistake—buying a "theoretical" car — is perhaps the sadder mistake of the two—because when you have made this mistake, you have on your hands some engineer's or designer's untried theory, instead of a tried, known, successful car. And you have paid a price that, put in the right car, would never have been a reproach — but would have bought an automobile of real pride and joy.

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PROPERTY HOLDERS PROTEST STRONGLY AGAINST CEMENT PLANT PURCHASE

ARGUMENTS PRESENTED TO SHOW THAT MONOLITH PROPERTY IS IMMENSE WHITE ELEPHANT WHICH LOS ANGELES CITY IS TRYING TO UNLOAD ON COUNTY—ASSOCIATED CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE FIGHTS PROPOSAL TO SPEND $550,000 OF TAXPAYERS' MONEY TO RELIEVE LOS ANGELES CITY OF INCUBUS

In the Puente Journal last week was printed a communication from Supervisor John J. Hamilton of the first district, in which he set forth a number of reasons why the county, in his estimation, should purchase the Monolith Cement Plant near Tehachapi for the sum of $550,000. This plant is a part of the salvage of the aqueduct owned by Los Angeles city.

President Balfour of the Associated Chambers of Commerce appointed a committee of members of that body to visit this plant, the committee consisting of Mayor H. J. Evans of Monrovia, Jonas E. Killian, El Monte; D. J. Shultis, Baldwin Bark; C. A. Griffith, Azusa; and J. L. Matthews of Covina. This committee made the journey on Saturday to the plant, which is about 25 miles in a northerly direction beyond the town of Mojave and four miles from the town of Tehachapi, at an elevation of 4000 feet.

The plant is very evidently equipped with the best machinery. It has a minimum capacity of 400 barrels, a maximum of 1800 barrels, and a steady capacity without strain of about 1000 barrels per day, with three eight-hour shifts. There are 2900 acres in the property, consisting of a mountain of limestone and tufa, containing a great deal of schist. There is also several hundred acres of grazing land.

At an all-day session before the board of supervisors on Tuesday of this week, the Associated Chambers committee argued earnestly against the purchase of the plant. They were assisted by delegations from Long Beach, Pasadena and other places. The board of supervisors had previously decided to buy the plant, but withheld final action until the arguments of the citizens could be presented. The necessary money to buy this plant has already been provided for in the 1915 budget made up by the board several months ago, which makes it possible to make the first payment at once. In spite of adverse reports received from a number of investigating committees, including the investigating committee of Los Angeles city itself, which reported very unfavorably, the supervsors are very evidently determined to purchase. The argument between the supervisors and the citizens from the east end of the county was very spirited, and consumed the entire time on Tuesday. The report of the Associated Chambers is as follows:

Tuesday, March 30, 1915.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Los Angeles County, California,

Gentlemen:

Because of a proposed action of your honorable board, said action being that of the purchase of a cement-making factory, known as the Monolith Cement Plant, the purchase to be made by Los Angeles county from the city of Los Angeles, a committee was appointed by the Associated Chambers of the San Gabriel Valley to investigate and report on the desirability of acquiring the property. This committee has visited the Monolith Cement Plant at its location about four miles from the town of Tehachapi, in Kern county; has made inquiries and collected data concerning the plant from various sources, and is appearing today before your honorable body to make a report on its findings.

The members of this committee do not believe that the purchase of the Monolith Cement Plant by the county of Los Angeles will be an action working for the best interests of the people of the county. The reasons for this belief will be herein set forth in a general manner.

The first and most vital objection to the plan is that it is the belief of the committee that Los Angeles county cannot make cement at this plant as cheaply as it can be purchased in the open market. From reports in the possession of this committee, made by other committees of investigation, we find that the city of Los Angeles, while operating this plant in connection with the building of the aqueduct, did not make Portland cement as cheaply as it could have been furnished from other sources, and that the cost of making this cement was considerably greater than the bids made per barrel by concerns manufacturing the product in Southern California. From the standpoint of economy the plant was a failure, and caused the aqueduct to cost much more than it would have cost had the city of Los Angeles bought its cement in the open market.

The second important reason for not purchasing this plant is it is entirely too large for the needs of the county, and although the county is asked to purchase a three-fourths interest, the city retaining the remainder, the output of the plant is so great that a very few years at the most will find the county in a position where all roads are built and the bulk of the public work wherein cement is used, practically finished. We understand that the plant has a minimum capacity of 400 barrels, a maximum capacity of 1800 barrels, and that in order to run it on an efficiency basis it must be operated at a capacity of at least 1000 barrels per day continuously throughout the year. Los Angeles county already has approximately 500 miles of finished paving. There are from 300 to 400 miles of highway not paved, and which will be paved if the present program is carried out. Road Commissioner F. H. Joyner has informed this committee that the county used 10,202 barrels of cement from June 1 of last year to December 31st. Mr. Joyner estimates the amount to be used in the future on main road work in the building of oil macadam, as 170,000 barrels. If the work is to be concrete instead of oil macadam, the near necessary amount will be 245,000 barrels. This, figured on the basis of an output of the plant of 1000 barrels per day, means that cement for the completion of the system can be made by this plant in 170 days on the basis of oil macadam, and 245 days in the case of concrete bases.

To purchase a plant for more than a half-million dollars for the purpose of operating for less than a year would not be desirable action. There are 5300 miles of county roads, including all by-ways and alleys. The output of this plant would furnish enough cement to concrete them all in less than three years. This would again leave the plant practically idle. Los Angeles county could not hope to get the value of the purchase price from this plant unless it could figure on operating it during the natural life of the plant.

In reports sent out by members of this honorable board, it has been said that Los Angeles county would soon be in need of immense amounts of Portland cement for its proposed storm-water control projects. We respectfully answer this by saying that a storm-water project in Los Angeles county is still an assumption, and that there is by no means a surety of voting bonds to support such a project; that the whole storm-water question is and has been in a very vague condition; that no adequate reports of cost or possible use of any material has been made upon which to base any such important a matter as the purchase of this cement plant, and it is again pointed out by this committee that in the event that a large storm-water project is decided upon, the experience of Los Angeles city with this cement plant shows by carefully prepared figures that the cement can be purchased in the open market for less than it can be manufactured at this plant, either for road purposes or for storm-drain purposes.

It is also pointed out by this committee that the Monolith Cement Plant did not make a large amount of Portland cement while in operation; that it did not engage in the business of making a specified product known to the trade as Portland cement, but made what is known as Tufa, which product was considered good material for the purposes for which it was desired, namely that of building a water conduit. There is no data extant showing that Portland cement can be made continuously at this plant at a stated price, all prices per barrel quoted being based on supposition; and further—it has been set forth by investigators that a good quality of limestone rock for the use of making Portland cement is not in evidence in large quantities on this property now owned by the city of Los Angeles.

This committee has ascertained to its own satisfaction that there is an earnest opposition to the purchase of this plant now evidencing itself in all parts of the county and coming from responsible taxpayers and citizens. There is a very grave doubt of the ability of Los Angeles county to sell its cement product, over and above what was needed by the county and the city, and to do so in competition with existing and competing cement companies. This committee believes that the proposed purchase price of three-fourths of this cement plant will go a long way toward supplying the county with the required amount of cement to complete the road systems, and that the county would be saving money on the cost price of the cement bought in the open market as well as escaping the burden of purchasing the plant.

We have purposely refrained from detailing figures in this report, as the figures that would have been used have already been presented to this board and have been printed in the public press. This committee, however, wishes to impress upon this honorable board that the east end of the county is unalterably opposed to the purchase of the plant, and the Associated Chambers of Commerce is prepared to show why the purchase of this plant is unbusinesslike and undoubtedly poor policy from every angle viewed.

We earnestly hope that you will give this report the consideration we believe it deserves.

Respectfully submitted,
ASSOCIATED CHAMBERS OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY.

Herbert J. Evans
J. L. Matthews
D. J. Shultis
J. E. Killian
C. A. Griffith

MEMORANDUM

(1) Mr. Hamilton's anxiety lest "These important works pass into private hands is superfluous. The city government has advertised the works for sale from time to time during the last three years, and thoroughly exhausted the possibility of selling to private parties before venturing to unload upon the county.

Mr. Hamilton's fear that the public will suffer from an increased price of cement in the event of a sale to private parties, is also groundless. The Los Angeles market price on cement is today exactly what it was seven years ago. It is a few cents higher than the price at San Francisco, Portland, and Seattle, where they have no municipal factories.

The aqueduct builders did not save the city of Los Angeles a million dollars by erecting this plant. They lost for the tax-payers of Los Angeles from $1,500,000 to $2,000,000. It cost the city $3.04 per barrel to make its own cement when it could have bought better cement for $1.45 per barrel.

(2) Mr. Hamilton says the plant is a great bargain at $550,000. It is a bargain which has been strangly neglected nevertheless, not one responsible bidder presenting himself. "The machinery," says Mr. Hamilton, "is in prime condition, better than new because thoroughly tested." This states a new principle in manufacturing economy, that a "test" of four years' duration improves machinery.

"With the plant goes a great tract of 2900 acres of mountain and valley land." How much mountain land? What does the county want with a stock ranch in the Tehachapi mountains? "Not the least of its advantages is its location near Tehachapi," that is, in the center of probably the largest unpopulated area in California, equally remote from all markets.

(3) Mr. Hamilton's paragraph three is best answered by the simple inquiry, Why has the city of Los Angeles allowed the plant to stand idle for three years, buying its cement meanwhile from the "Trust"? Mr. Hamilton says, "The public ownership of Monolith would be a good investment even if the plant were not operated, but simply held as a price corrective." Very good. Let the city continue to hold the plant for that purpose. Someone has already said that $550,000 is a pretty stiff price for the county to pay for a mere option to operate the Monolith plant.

(4) "The county already has the money in its treasury to make the first payment on the plant." The money can be better invested in roads, bridges, and flood control works.

(5) Mr. Hamilton says not all this money will come out of taxpayers outside of the city of Los Angeles. Unless a grave mistake is made, none of it will come out of our pockets.

Mr. Hamilton says in conclusion, "The people of Los Angeles county would have reason to censure their board of supervisors if misled by the misrepresentations being circulated by interested persons, they should falter in their purpose, formed after thorough investigation, of acquiring this valuable property for the public. Evidently the supervisors have made up their minds, and the hearing granted our Chambers of Commerce for next Tuesday is to be merely a formality. Facts like the following might well cause the supervisors to "falter in their purpose":

(1) Under city management the cost of producing cement at Monolith was $3.04 per barrel.

(2) During the past five years the county has failed to use 10 per cent of the maximum capacity of the Monolith plant.

(3) The city of Los Angeles, which uses more cement than the county, has permitted the Monolith plant to remain idle for three years, indicating that it cannot produce cement economically in competition with private companies. The interest charge on its investment meanwhile has been $140 per day.

(4) Los Angeles county is purchasing its cement for highways at the same price as the State Highway Commission.

(5) The purchase and operation of the Monolith Cement Plant by the county will inevitably increase, and may double, the cost of the county's cement requirements.

(6) The taxpayers of Los Angeles county will pay the loss.

This is the awkwardness of the city's predicament: Every reason why the county should buy is a better reason why the city should not sell: Every explanation of the city's desire to sell is a warning to the county not to buy.

THE HISTORY OF THE AQUEDUCT CEMENT PLANT

In May, 1907, the city of Los Angeles advertised for bids on 1,250,000 barrels of cement for building the Los Angeles aqueduct. (Files of Board of Public Works.)

In June, 1907, seven responsible bids were received, the lowest, that of the Standard Portland Cement Company, being $1.05 per barrel at mill, equivalent to $1.62 per barrel f. o.b. cars at Mojave. (Documents on file at Board of Public Works.)

On June 19th, 1907, the aqueduct engineers made the following report to the Board of Public Works, which was duly recorded in their minutes:

"The estimated cost of the city producing its own cement at Tehachapi is $1.02 per barrel, equal to $1.21 per barrel f.o.b. cars Mojave." (Minutes of Board of Public Works, June 19, 1907.)

Early in 1908 the city began the construction of a cement mill at Monolith, the ultimate cost of which was $911,935.85. (Aqueduct Commission books of account.)

The first cement was produced in March, 1909. The product was uncertain in quality; the total year's production was less than one-half the estimated capacity of the plant. The shortage was made good by purchasing private brands. (Aqueduct cost files.)

In december, 1909, bids on 200,000 barrels were taken. The lowest bid was $1.45 per barrel f.o.b. cars at Mojave, 17c per barrel less than the Standard Portland Coment Company bid of 1907. A contract was awarded for 200,000 barrels at this price. (Files of Board of Public Works.)

During 1910 and 1911 the Monolith plant produced about 60 per cent of its rated capacity. Aqueduct requirements were made up by shipments of privately manufactured cement. (Aqueduct cost files.)

In April, 1912, Monolith cement was shipped to Los Angeles for building the Avenue Twenty bridge. The first three cars, according to tests in the city engineer's office, developed less than 50 per cent of the required strength. The entire shipment was rejected by the city engineer. (Record of tests on file in city engineer's office.)

The Monolith inventory of May 1st, 1912, shows 45,800 barrels of Monolith cement on hand, yet no further shipments were made to Los Angeles, indicating that the entire stock was of the same quality as that rejected. A contract was let to a private company for 3000 barrels for the Avenue Twenty bridge at a price of $2 per barrel. (Files of Board of Public Works.)

August 28, 1912, the Aqueduct Investigation Board reported on Monolith as follows:

"The actual net cost of cement produced at Monolith, deduced from data supplied by aqueduc officials, is $2.84 per barrel (equivalent to $3.03 f.o.b. cars Mojave.)"

"A considerable quantity of poor cement has been manufactured at the city cement plant."

On November 6, 1912, the city council authorized the sale of the Monolith factory to the highest public bidder, stipulating a minimum price of $550,000. (Ordinance No. 26,196, New Series.)

In March, 1913, the Monolith plant was shut down and has never been operated since. In four years it had produced a total of 899,843 barrels, (about 60 per cent of its capacity), subject to the following charges:

Direct mill cos ,($1,599,367.84, equal to $1.778 per bbl.

Interest on $911,935 to date, $270,231.23, equal to 30c per bbl.

Acknowledged depreciation, $361,935.00, equal to 40c per bbl.

Totals, $2,231,474.07, equal to $2.478 per bbl.

Cost f.o.b. cars Mojave (freight 19c), equal to $2.668 per bbl.

(Aqueduct cost files.)

On July 18th, 1915, the council passed a new ordinance authorizing the sale of the property to the highest responsible bidder, but extending the terms of payment over three years. (Ordinance No. 27,958, New Series.)

Up to March 1st, 1915, no responsible bidder had presented himself, but the supervisors of Los Angeles county announced in the press their intention of buying the Monolith Cement plant.

The county's requirements of cement for the past five years have not averaged 25,000 barrels per year. (Files of county surveyor and county highway commission.)

The current price paid by the county is $1.35 per barrel at local Mills. The freight to Los Angeles is 23 3-4c per barrel. The freight from Monolith to Los Angeles is 38c per barrel. For more than two years the county has enjoyed the same price as the State Highway Commission. (Files of County Highway Commission and S. P. freight traffics.)

All the foregoing facts and figures are taken from the public records of the city and county of Los Angeles. The following statements are direct inferences therefrom:

Monolith cement cost the city $1,314,000 more than the engineers estimated before the plant, a miscalculation of $1.46 per barrel.

Monolith cement cost the city $945,000 more than the bid of the Standard Portland Cement Company which was made in 1907, six months before the city factory was authorized.

The maximum reduction in price which can be attributed to the building of the Monolith plant was SEVENTEEN CENTS per barrel, a saving which was enjoyed on only 200,000 barrels.

Under the city management conditions were favorable for obtaining minimum cost of manufacture at Monolith, because operations were carried on at maximum capacity. The county cannot consume maximum capacity, therefore is liable to produce cement at higher cost than under city management.

If the same cost is realized, the county will lose $1.26 per barrel on every barrel used, based upon its present buying price.

If the county makes cement at Monolith for one-half the average city cost, she will still lose 2 cents per barrel on every barrel used, not to mention the loss of the capital invested.

That the building of the Monolith factory has not influenced the market price of cement in Southern California is clear from these facts:

(1) The price in Los Angeles today is the same as the price in Los Angeles seven years ago.

(2) The city itself has paid this price for the past two years rather than operate its factory.

(3) The price in Los Angeles is slightly higher than the price in San Francisco, in Portland and in Seattle, where they have no municipal factories.

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FOR SALE—Seed bed and nursery stock, also lath panels. Will trade for vacant lots. Phone 357. S. N. Benton, Azusa, Cal. tf

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FOR SALE—Pigs. Floyd Pratt on Cammeron, between Lark Ellen and boulevard. 1tp

FOR SALE—One foot cement block machine. $80 machine for $35. Fred L. Hepner, phone 813. 1tp

FOR SALE—Having 25 acres alfalfa I expect to have hay down at all times. Have some damaged by rain ready for Monday delivery: good cow hay. Will deliver if necessary. Prices reasonable. Phone 171, Puente Exchange, at 6 a.m. Half way between Covina and Puente, one block west of boulevard. D. H. Robinson. 1tp

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red baby chicks on the 6th of April. Harrison strain. 12c each. Hatching eggs, $1.50 a setting. Will also hatch at 3c apiece. P. O. Address, N. W. Nutting, route 2, Covina, Cal. 1tp

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FOR SALE—Settings of thoroughbred Black Minorca eggs. Mrs. J. Wheeler, phone 572 4-24

FOR SALE—Orange, lemon and grapefruit trees 5-8 and up, 10 to 20 cents. Box 187, Glendora. 4-3

FOR SALE—5-room bungalow and 2 lots, opposite Charter Oak packing house. Home Phone 338, Covina. 4-3-p

FOR SALE—Covina water stock on easy terms. Phone 194. 1tp

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—April 10th, unfurnished flat at the San Antonio; on the carline. Phone 998. 1t

FOR RENT—7-room house. $20 a month. Covina Realty Co. Tel. 120.

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WANTED.

WANTED—Housework by young girl. Lena Dethlefs. Phone 668. 1tp

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LOST—One automobile drivers' glove. Reward for return to Argus office. 1tp

FOR EXCHANGE.

FOR EXCHANGE—65 acres of alfalfa at Holtville, Imperial valley. All fenced and cross fenced, part hog tight. 30 cows, calves, hogs, team and implements. fair house and out-buildings. Will exchange for orange grove. Write for particulars. A. W. Richards, Claremont, Cal. 4-10

TO LOAN.

TO LOAN—$4500 on ranch property, also smaller amounts. Oscar Miller, phone evenings. 1tp

We are specialists in FURNITURE and HOUSE FURNISHINGS and can undersell any store on the street. Our 6th floor methods insure low rent and you SAVE. Let us explain our plan. Call or write

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IRWINDALE WOMAN SELLS ORANGES AT TOP PRICES

Once again that old saying that "Women can't do things that count" has been disproved.

Mrs. Emma Maxfield, who owns and supervises her own grove of 25 acres in the Irwindale district, on Wednesday and Friday of last week topped the entire market with her Thompson Improved navels, packed under the "Gold Medal" brand by the Golden Orange Groves on Azusa avenue.

Out of 806 loose boxes delivered to the packing house Mrs. Maxfield states that she had 529 packed, of which 271 were of first grade, 225 of second grade and 33 of third. She also states that the Thompson's were pooled by themselves and that she will net better than 95 cents per packed box for all grades and sizes.

A new lot of hats every week at Miss Sara Reckard's millinery store, the old reliable.

Having four wholesale houses in Los Angeles, also eastern houses, to select my stock from, it is nearly always is possible to get whatever customers want if it is not to be found in my stock at present.

Favor me with a call before buying.
MISS SARA RECKARD.

HITS BY SHARP WITS

The girl with the most cheek does the least blushing.

Too many sermons are aimed at pocketbooks instead of at hearts.

Local Happenings

AND BECOME FIRST FRUITS OF THEM THAT SLEPT

Easter falls on the Sunday next following the 14th day of the Paschal moon, always within 14 days after the vernal equinox, never earlier than March 21, nor later than April 25.

B. Y. P. U. Members Are Always Active

The B.Y.P.U. was conducted last Sunday evening by Miss Lucy Matthews and was one of the best in the history of the society. About 50 were present and an excellent program was rendered. Next Sunday evening the meeting will be in charge of the Misses Allie Bohannan and Mary Funk. The subject is "Discouragement." The following program will be rendered during the service: Vocal duet, by Rea and Herman Kring; piano solo, Ruby Crozier; violin solo by Clayton Nicol; selection by mixed quartet. A place, a home, and a welcome is awaiting you at this service.

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Today a Critical Day In Big Times Contest

Today is the critical day in the Times contest. Mrs. W. P. Nye, who has a good score as published in the paper from time to time, is thankful to all those who have helped her thus far. Those who are considering what length of time they can subscribe in Mrs. Nye's interest will aid her greatly if they will call her up by telephone to let her know what they have decided, or speak to Mr. Nye at Nash's drug store. Next week is the week of grace for all old subscriptions. It is the week also in which the final score will be determined. The race has been most exciting, with over 1000 starting, and the great majority of them staying in till the finish. The interest extends throughout Southern California and every young woman is energetically putting forth her best efforts to win. In one instance all the Shriners of one large community are interested in a special candidate. In another case the whole denomination with a church in nearly every town is concerned for the outcome of one in whom they are interested.

It is quite imperative that a candidate know today concerning all new subscriptions and next week for renewals.

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Amphion Meets

A very delightful meeting of the Amphion was held last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Griswold. The program for the evening was an exceptionally fine one and consisted of vocal numbers by Mr. Buddington of Los Angeles, piano selections by Miss Davidson, also of Los Angeles, and flute solos by B. A. Olshausen, accompanied by Mrs. Irwin Shupp.

This being the first meeting after orange day, appropriate decorations in orange, white and green were used. Mrs. Griswold was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. L. L. Ratekin and Miss M. E. Griswold, the young ladies of the club serving the dainty refreshments. They were Misses Bernice Lemon, Gertrude Elliott, Adah Waye, Leisel Leighton and Mrs. W. A. Viney.

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Whist Party

Miss Edith Hull entertained last Friday evening with a whist party in honor of the birthday of Mr. Milton Kanode. After an informal evening with cards, for which prizes were won by Miss Grace Armel and Mr. Myron Crawford, dainty refreshments were served by the hostess. The invited guests were Misses Esther Scofield, Mildred Bleecker, Hessa Graham, May Hull, Vivian Tower, Iva Robey, Grace Armel, Messrs. Milton Kanode, Claude Searcy, Sam and Ethan Scofield, Chas. Gray and Carl and Ray Crenshaw, and Mr. and Mrs. Myron Crawford and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hall.

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Free Entertainment of Tableaux

The Queen Esther Circle will give a free entertainment of tableaux, representing Bible characters and scenes. Appropriate readings and music, with characters robed according to Bible times. The invitation is general. Doors open at 7:30; entertainment at 8 o'clock.

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Sunrise Easter Service

The annual custom of holding a praise and prayer sunrise meeting will be observed as usual at the First Methodist church on Easter morning. The meeting will begin promptly at 7 o'clock.

Little Argus Want Ads—big results.

Monday Afternoon Club Notes

The Monday Afternoon Club is looking forward to a delightful day at Their club house Monday, April 5th, when they will have as their guests the members of the district board and two delegates each from a dozen or more clubs; also the Lyric Club of Covina.

The program for the afternoon will be given by Mrs. C. D. Williamson of Covina and the Lyric Club of Covina.

"Miriam, Daughter of Zophar; the Tale of a Woman's Love and Devotion," is the story build around the scenes and life in about Jerusalem during the last week in the life of Christ. This is Mrs. Williamson's latest story, and is especially in harmony with the Easter season.

Mrs. Williamson will wear the garb of women of that time.

The Easter breakfast will be served at 12.30. The program for the afternoon will begin at 2:30. (For members only.)

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Miss Elliott and Miss Booth Entertained at Shower

One of the prettiest showers given Miss Gertrude Elliott and Miss Hazel Booth, two brides-to-be of this season, was a handkerchief shower given by Miss Lilian Douglas last Saturday afternoon.

The afternoon was spent informally at bridge, after which the guests of honor were presented with a large number of dainty handkerchiefs, following which delicious refreshments were served.

The color scheme throughout the refreshments and decorations was in pink, quantities of pink roses being used.

The guests, aside from the guests of honor were: Mesdames W. A. Viney, J. R. Elliott, C. T. Booth, H. S. Tripp, Frank Chapman, Jr., J. D. Fields, Robt. Walker, H. H. Cushman, Howe, Basil Gordon, Arthur Powell, Frank Stokes, Irwin Shupp and Misses Pauline Law, Dian Gordon, Katherine Philleo and Mamie Cook.

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Eastern Star Supper

The members of the Eastern Star spent a delightful afternoon and evening on Tuesday of last week. In the afternoon the ladies brought their thimble work and spent the afternoon in the lodge rooms. The ladies were joined by the gentlemen members for a dinner at 6:30, after which the evening was spent with cards and other games, prizes for which were won by Mrs. Marion Coltrin and G. B. Scofield. Dancing followed until a late hour.

Covina Woman Makes Good in Contest

Mrs. Mary M. Coman, editor of the White Ribbon, W. C. T. U. state newspaper, and a prominent club woman in Southern California, is running very well in the Los Angeles Examiner contest. Many automobiles are to be given away, or in other words, will become the property of those contestants who work the hardest and achieve results. Mrs. Coman said this week that while she had done very well in the Covina valley there were some people yet to see, and she would appreciate it if the people would assist her further.

"The old horse has done faithful service in transporting me from home to the club and temperance meetings," said Mrs. Coman yesterday, "but this is the age of high efficiency, and it has come to the point where I believe I really need an automobile very badly. I am willing to work for it, and I am sure that my friends have rallied very generously to my support."

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Brotherhood Gathers At Supper Tables

The Men's Brotherhood of the First Baptist church he'd an informal supper and social Thursday evening in the banquet rooms of the church, forty men sitting down to a very appetizing meal prepared by the Ladies' Aid of the church.

After the supper the men lingered to talk over vital matters pertaining to church work. Rev. Catherwood led off with a discussion of the coming of Charles E. Potts, the evangelistic singer, who will be here on May 2 to begin a series of revival meetings. Mr. Potts is well remembered because of the work he did here last year. The men entered into the spirit of the meeting and a general discussion was had.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Mr. T. J. Paradows, piano tuner and repairer, is in the city of Covina every Tuesday. All of his work is guaranteed and backed by Marquette Piano Co., 822 S. Bdway., Los Angeles. Covina office, Palace of Sweets. Phone 459. 4-3-p

DODGE AND BUICK AGENT MAKES SEVERAL SALES

Sales made by P. E. Doughty this week are as follows: a Dodge car to Charles Grafton, Dodge car to James W. Heath, both of which have already been delivered; a model 37 Buick to Mrs. Alice Burns, and a model 25 Buick to Mrs. C. C. Casey.

Mr. Doughty, who is the proprietor of the Mission garage at the corner of San Bernardino road and Citrus avenue, says that he has experienced a marked change in garage business in the last month, the increase in business being nearly 50 per cent. The garage has been a paying investment right from the first, he says.

POMONA COLLEGE RAISES ONE MILLION DOLLARS

The friends who have been following with interest the campaign of Pomona college for one million, one hundred thousand dollars will rejoice to know that the big task is finished. On an afternoon in October, 1912, during the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the college, the enterprise was started by voting to raise one million dollars. Later came the grant of the general education board of New York City, which required not only the raising of the million but also enough to wipe out all the indebtedness of the institution. The time set for the completing of the campaign was April 1st, 1915. On the appointed date, without any hesitation, the college is able to say to the General Education Board, "Our part is fulfilled."

It was the desire of President Blaisdell that the major part of this sum should go to endowment. The reasons for this were apparent. The college had less than five hundred thousand dollars of free endowment. Institutions whose work Pomona was trying to parallel had endowments reaching into the millions. The college was paying inadequate salaries and working with cramped facilities. Besides this the business management was harassed by a continually increasing deficit. The president's wish in regard to the disposition of the million dollar fund was fully met. Less even than the amount required in the terms of the campaign, namely three hundred thousand dollare, went into buildings, all the rest into endowment.

But the end is not yet. The college must have more and better buildings. So urgent is that need that the board of trustees at their last session voted that the next entering class must not be larger than 200, it being recognized that the college could not honestly accept more students than it now has without further extension of buildings and equipment. It is now advisable for students desiring to enter Pomona college to make early application.

The board of trustees, not dismayed by any task, voted also to undertake at once another campaign of about equal dimensions to secure buildings and endowment for their up-keep. This new campaign will be of an entirely different nature and will be presented to a different constituency from that which gave the money on this campaign. The same principle will be adhered to, that the gifts which build Pomona college shall come from a number of givers and not from a princely few. Thus the college will be builded not on the generosity of a few wealthy benefactors, but on the affection and sacrifice of a large body of friends.

NINE CENT GASOLINE NOW SEEMS A SURETY

"Two developments that vitally concern automobile owners are the Rittman discovery and the decision of the United States Court of Appeals in the broken wheel case.

"Through the 100 per cent or more increase in the production of gasoline, which the Rittman discovery seems to assure, the cost of motor fuel should proportionately decrease. It therefore seems certain that we will have an 8- or 9-cent gasoline, which means an immense aggregate saying to the motorists of America.

"And yet this reduction will, more than anything else, emphasize the comparative unimportance to the individual owner of fuel cost. While it will remove the only plausable argument that makers of underweight cars have been able to advance, it will turn the attention of the prospective buyer, who rightly looks for an economical car, to the really important maintenance items of repairs and depreciation.

"The decision in the broken wheel case seems to settle one thing — that the assembler of a car is not necessarily responsible in damages from an accident due to a defective part manufactured by someone else. If this is sound the purchaser of an assembled car must look to a great many different concerns for safe and satisfactory operation of his automobile. This is distinctly a boost for the manufactured car, the car all of whose important parts are built in the plant of the company whose name the vehicle bears."

Church News

Church of the Sacred Heart, Catholic—Mass at 8:00 a.m. in new edifice at Fifth and Center strets. Rev. M. H. Geary, pastor.

Evangelical Lutheran; St. John's church. Corner Third and Dexter streets. H. O. Michel, pastor, 108 E. Center street. Confessional service will begin at 9:30 a.m. Divine service at 10 a.m. All Lutherans are cordially invited to attend.

Services in the Church of the Holy Trinity: Easter Day: Holy Communion, 7:30 a.m.; Sunday-school, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Communion, high celebration and sermon, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7:30 p.m.

Christian Science Society of Covina holds service Sunday at 11 a.m. in Woman's Club House, Citrus avenue and Center street; subject, "Unreality." Sunday-school at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday meeting at 8 p.m.

April 4th, 1915, Presbyterian church. Sunday-school at 9:45; the Rev. Brewitt will occupy the pulpit in the morning. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at the morning service; C. E. at 6:30; the Sunday-school Easter program will be given at the evening service at 7:30. Midweek prayer-meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

First Methodist Church; S. J. McConnell, pastor. Easter morning prayer and praise meeting at 7 o'clock. The first bell will ring at 6:30. Sunday-school at 9:45; R. T. Chew, Jr., superintendent. Public worship at 11 a.m.; subject of sermon, "Evidences of the Resurrection." At 3 o'clock the Knight Templar Commanderies of the various cities of Los Angeles county will meet in this church to hold their annual Easter services. Epworth League at 6:45. An Easter service of instrumental and vocal music will be held at 7:45. Queen Esther entertainment on Tuesday night and general prayer-meeting on Wednesday at 7:45 p.m. All are welcome to the services.

The First Baptist church, located on Second street, near College; William W. Catherwood, minister, announces its Easter Sunday services as follows: Bible-school at 9:45; Mrs. Viola Crozier, superintendent. Every scholar is urged to be present on Easter Sunday. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a.m.; subject, "The Seventh Sermon in the Series on Creation." The quartet will render "The Light of Easter Morning," by Creswell. Junior B.Y.P.U. at 3 p.m.; seniors at 6:30. The seniors will give an Easter program of music and recitations in charge of the music committee. Evening service at 7:30. Sacred concert of Easter music as follows: "Angel, Roll the Rock Away" (Emerson) double quartet; "Awake Glad Soul" (Adams), double quartet; soprano solo, Mrs. Fannie Blair of Los Angeles; violin solo, Mr. Paul Custer, "Praise Ye the Lord" (Gounod), full chorus choir; duet, "Blessed Savior," Mrs. Blair and Mr. Taylor; "Praise to Our Risen King" (Hine), double quartet. Sermonette by the pastor; subject, "Your Easter Egg." Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30. The church with a welcome for all.

INTERESTING SPEAKER ON PEACE

The local W.C.T.U. at its regular meeting last Friday at the home of Mrs. J. N. Wilson, had an unusually happy surprise. Owing to a mistake in dates, Mrs. M. E. Jenkins of Los Angeles, a widely-known speaker and lecturer, came to Covina and the routine business of the annual meeting was immediately set aside in order that the members might hear Mrs. Jenkins.

The chairman of a peace commission of twenty women, sent by the American Women's League to the International Suffrage Convention at Budapest, Hungary, in 1913, Mrs. Jenkins related in most fascinating fashion the story of the peace work done by the earnest group of women and gave numerous interesting anecdotes of her unusual experience. It is hoped that Mrs. Jenkins will again be in Covina at some later date to give her interesting and instructive lecture on "Peace" before a larger audience.

The next regular meeting will be held next Friday at the home of Mrs. Mary Houser, on Citrus and Center streets, promptly at 2:30. The study of the science of government will be continued and an interesting afternoon is promised. The ladies are asked to bring their needlework. A social hour will follow the business and study. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected during the business hour.